

WIVES OF CHINAMEN.

MORE WHITE WOMEN MARRY THEM SINCE JAPAN'S WAR.

Downfall of the White Race Before the Yellow Seems to Have Caused an Increase of Intermarriage—Results of Investigation.

About 200 white girls in Chicago are married to Chinamen. On an average of over one a month the Celestials of the Windy City continue to win white brides.

The downfall of the white race before the yellow in the Japanese war seems to have inspired not only the Japs but the Chinese with new claims of equality. One result is the increase of marriages between white girls and Chinamen, which has been noticed in all our large cities during the last year.

But the Chicago Tribune, which has been investigating the matter, finds that this wiping out of racial prejudices is not given by the brides themselves as their reason for choosing Chinamen. Twenty-five of the most recently wedded gave the following as the object of their action: Love, money, opium, a home, kindness.

But back of these assigned reasons is another and deeper reason. That is, that a Chinaman, when he takes a white bride, wipes out her past entirely and, no matter what she might have been, she, as his wife is honored.

The Chinaman never considers marriage until he is financially able to support a wife, in which he differs from the white races; but, like the whites, he believes in the power of money to make courtship easy—and he spends lavishly. It may take him weeks to attract the attention of the object of his love to himself, but once he has made her acquaintance and broken down the racial barrier, his progress is rapid.

The social life of the white brides of Chinamen is limited in the extreme. Not only are they barred from any intimate social life with the Chinese wives, but the lines between the two are closely drawn. If a white girl marries a Chinaman and her chum happens to marry a Chinaman of another company they cannot meet except as strangers. In their own households they rule—there is no trouble. They are supplied with plenty of money to spend for household wants and with more than enough for themselves. They dress beautifully and in most cases the only complaint uttered by them is that they are forced to live in squalid neighborhoods.

The Chinaman's idea of comfort at home means the interior. He does not care about the exterior, how dingy or even dirty it may be, and he never is in the market for exclusive residence property. An alley appears to suit him better than a street, and he seems to prefer a downtown street, the narrower the better, to suburban property.



Middle Nishi, daughter of General Nishi, the celebrated Japanese General.

Removing Stains from Clothing.

To remove tea and coffee stains stretch the stained place over a bowl and pour boiling water through the stain.

To remove wine or fruit stains put a layer of salt on the stain as soon as made and treat with boiling water the same as for tea stains.

To remove ink stains: While fresh soak in milk, using fresh milk as it becomes discolored. If the stain has been allowed to dry use salts of lemon, first wetting the spot, then rubbing the salts on and rinsing well with cold water. It may sometimes be necessary to repeat the process.

Preparation stains should be removed by rubbing with soap and laying the garment in the hot sun.

Gratifying Whims.

If you are a wise woman you will try and gratify some of your husband's little whims instead of opposing them.

Don't nag. The point that cannot be gained without gentleness is not worth gaining.

Value of Vanity.

Were we not vain enough to adopt new fashions, whether they be silly or not, we should just do as we are in a dull, monotonous way till we were sick of the sight of each other and sought change at any price.—Lady's Pictorial.

COURTSHIP AFTER MARRIAGE.

Many Think Wedlock a Paid Up Policy for Happiness.

Some men seem to consider their marriage certificate as a sort of fully paid up policy of happiness. They act as if the courtship days were those of paying premiums of compliment, cheerfulness, courtesy, consideration and chivalry, and that marriage cuts off all these premiums of lover-like attention.

The only way to get an absolutely guaranteed insurance on matrimony is to keep paying the premiums. Many first class matrimonial policies lapse just because of these suspended payments.

There is a tendency to assume that this love is known and recognized, so why speak of it? This is a dangerous taking for granted of what should be made real, pulsing and vital in thought, word and deed.

There is little danger of over-telling this story. It is often the wine of life and inspiration to one hungering and thirsting for the little tenderness of affection.

There are more people on this great, big, rolling earth hungering for sweetness, tenderness, and words of appreciation, genial confidence and generous affection than are starving for bread.

With husband and wife these delicate messengers of affection cost so little sometimes only a thought, but it is the thought that is all.

Continued courtship after marriage preserves the lover in the husband and the sweetheart in the wife. But courtship is not solitary, like a quarrel, it requires two to make it a success.

It is not the wife alone who needs the gracious sweetness of concentrated comradeship, for husbands who are built on the right lines have the same hunger for loving kindness and kindly loving.

Courtship is a vessel of promise that is often wrecked on the shoals of matrimony. Courtship means two mates without a captain, marriage sometimes becomes two captains without a mate. Delinquent.

GUIDES TO HEALTH.

Olive oil is not good for massaging the face. It is too strong.

The right use of powder will be found to be of great advantage with an oily skin.

To whiten the hands rub them first with lemon juice and afterward with dry salt.

Don't fill your bedroom with knickknacks and draperies. Have it plain, clean and dust free as possible.

Soft soap is a yellowish-green jelly, made with olive oil and caustic potash. Hard soaps are made with soda, not potash.

People with dry, scaly skin should avoid the use of too much soap. Neither should they steam the face.

Lemon juice or a stronger application made of colorless iodine will remove brown spots from the skin.

Table Service.

In entertaining it is better to serve a single meal perfectly than to attempt a more elaborate one imperfectly prepared.

In waiting at table pass dishes on the left side and hold them low enough for the persons served to help themselves with ease.

All soiled dishes should be removed from the left.

In passing a plate on which the food has been placed, put it on the table in front of the person for whom it is intended. Do not wait for it to be taken from the tray.

Soup is served by the hostess, fish, roasts and entrees by the host.

Hot dishes. Be careful that hot dishes are served thoroughly hot, and on hot plates, as few things are so objectionable as food that should be hot being served lukewarm.

Salads are mixed and desserts served by the hostess, while vegetables and side dishes are usually served from a side table, the guests helping themselves.

Everything needed for the table should be at hand so that there may be no unnecessary delay in serving finger bowls, extra cutlery, silver, a keel ice and an extra supply of bread can all be at hand in case they are required.

Jewels and Complexions.

The girl who is careful of her appearance matches her jewels to her hair and complexion these days.

She doesn't wear diamonds near her face, as they dim her eyes and make her teeth dull.

She doesn't wear rubies, emeralds or sapphires with any shade of red hair or any shade of red gown.

She affects pearls on all occasions and in all forms. They are the prime softeners of the complexion and eyes.

Opals also receive her especial approval, notwithstanding the superstition attached to them.

She evinces a profound preference for corals if her coloring is of the brunet order.

She won't wear rings on an exquisite hand or a necklace on a perfect neck. It is only when hand or throat are on the betwixt-and-between order that she attempts any display of jewels.

To Keep Cake Fresh.

Cut a slice of new bread about an inch thick and place in the tin with the cake. This will help to keep the cake fresh for some time. The bread must be renewed when stale, says Home Chat. An apple placed in the cake tin will answer the same purpose as the bread, and should also be renewed when withered.

MAKING A SHY GIRL TALK.

Her Temperament, Savé in the Extreme, Is Attractive.

The girl who knows herself to be tongue-tied though she regrets it, need not despair of popularity. Nobody is socially more disagreeable and more dreaded than a woman who talks too much, monopolizing the conversation, and giving no one else a chance to speak. People fly from this overgifted and aggressive talker. A mere chatterbox is equally disliked. A good listener is always sure of appreciation. If you can but master the fine art of listening to each person with an air of deep interest, just as if there were nobody else at the moment in the wide world, and as if your greatest wish were to understand what the other is trying to tell you, you will have the effect of talking well. All that is really necessary is not to let your attention wander, and at the right moment, in the right place, make some brief rejoinder in affirmation. You need never fear that you will be thought too silent if you listen well and say yes or no at proper intervals.

A good listener is never a bore, while a great talker frequently gains that unhappy distinction. Girls are sometimes tongue-tied because of indifference. A bashful manner, up to a certain point, is attractive, says Woman's Life. But when it has its root in a hammering self-consciousness which makes one awkward and clumsy or surly or defiant, it is a fatal handicap.

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Improving the Oil Cloth.

Try wiping your oilcloth with a flannel cloth wrung from clear, warm water and see how much brighter it is than when any old mop cloth is used and water in which soap or ammonia abounds. If skimmed milk is plentiful it is still better than clear water.

Coffee Icing.

Coffee icing is a good combination with spice cake. Roll four ounces of butter into a ball and beat it with a wooden spoon until it is covered with a fine dust of sugar. Add two tablespoons of brewed coffee or a few drops of coffee essence and a pinch of salt. Beat until it has become stiff and a bowl of fondant.

To Make Good Mustard.

In making mustard, it is a good plan to add a pinch of salt to the mixture in the water. A spoonful of vinegar should always be used to moisten the dry mustard in the first instance, while a better result can be attained by stirring in warm water in preference to cold when the mustard is not required in haste.

In Cooking Potatoes.

It is useful to remember in cooking potatoes that after the water has been strained off the pot should be given three or four sharp jerks so as to toss the potatoes. This has the effect of making them white and fluffy.

To Disinfect Wives.

In Harper's Bazar, Mary Stewart Cutting discusses the wife who is growing dissatisfied. A great deal of this dissatisfaction, Mrs. Cutting believes, comes from the wrong attitude that other people assume toward the young wife. "She is pitted for everything," pitted because a woman has so much to go through, for having the sewing on her hands, and for being "tied down," pitted because her husband doesn't realize all she goes through—though, goodness knows, it isn't because she doesn't tell him, and it's her right to tell him if she wants to. She is pitted because she can't go to parties and make calls, and pitted for every ache and pain and limitation, as if each cause for pity had not its root in some joy or some gain or some privilege." The remedy, Mrs. Cutting thinks, lies largely with the wife herself. She must learn to guard against physical fatigue; to leave undone the non-essentials; to cultivate enthusiasm and a broader outlook; and, "for the rest, there's a simple prescription—to enjoy more than we dislike what we dislike. We don't get so tired if we do that."

SOCIETY'S SAD LIFE.

Bishop of Durham Points Out the Joyless Faces in Hyde Park.

The Bishop of Durham, England, in an address made a reference to the "smart set," without which apparently no pulpit address nowadays is complete. The best place in which to see luxurious misery, according to this Bishop, is at Hyde Park corner.

"At the washed out fag end of the London season take a station at Hyde Park corner near enough to the endless string of carriages to get hats," he said. "Out of one hundred coats the lark luster, bothered, bored looks of the wearers. Are all these people doing what they like? Are they with all the appliances at their command, really tasting and satisfying the pleasures of life? It is strange that their faces should belie them if they are, for I do not know where in any given fifteen minutes I can see so many joyless faces. The material means of enjoyment cannot make immortal the capacity for enjoyment. Where Solomon and Chesterfield failed the butterflies of May-fair are not likely to succeed."

Blouse or Shirt Waist.

In spite of the great popularity of the lingerie blouse, the simpler shirt waist is always in demand. Here is one of the very newest that is eminently attractive and that gives the broad effect to the figure, that is so much in vogue just now. In the illustration it is made of white linen trimmed with pearl buttons, the collar

HOME COOKING.

Oysters in Peppers.

Remove the seeds and veins from a sufficient number of sweet pepper pods and place three or four large oysters in each pod. See that no sliver of shell adheres to the oysters and bake about fifteen minutes in a moderate oven, setting each pepper pod in a muffin ring. Serve in a bed of nasturtium blossoms and leaves or dogwood berries.

Chicken Pie.

Boil one chicken till the meat will leave off the bones. Remove all the larger bones. Line a deep baking dish with a rich crust, allowing it to extend a little over the edge of the dish. Place the pieces of chicken in dish, pour over it a part of the gravy in which it was boiled, season to taste with salt and pepper, put small pieces of butter on top and cover with crust just the size of dish. Turn the outside crust over the top, cut slashes on top crust and bake an hour. Thicken the remaining part of the gravy and serve hot with the pie.

Cream of Potato Soup.

Boil four or five large potatoes with a stalk of celery and a small onion. Mash all together through a strainer, adding the water in which they were boiled and a pint of hot milk. Stir with a tablespoonful of whipped cream on top of each plate.

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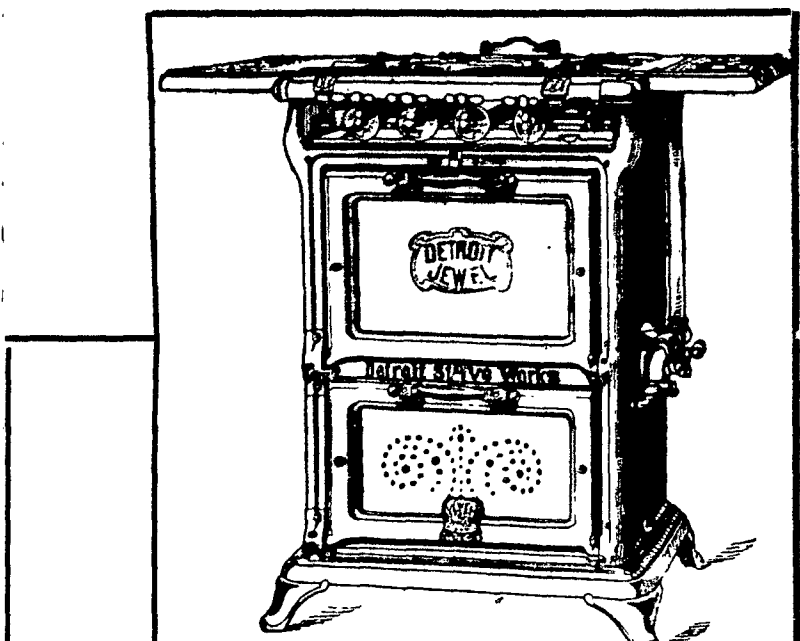
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A Hair Tonic.

No application is better for lusterless hair than salt. Rub well into the roots of the hair at night, then tie up in a large handkerchief or wear a night cap. Brush out the salt in the morning. Several applications will show a marked improvement in the appearance of the hair.



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