

WELL-BRED GIRLS

DANGEROUS ONES GROWING UP IN THE TRANSVAAL.

The South African young woman has not yet arrived but she is on her way—her out-door life.

The day of the South African girl has hardly arrived yet, but when it comes, says a writer in the Queen, let the Americans see to their laurels, for they will have dangerous competitors in the field.

The Dutch women of the Transvaal are tall and splendidly developed, and there are the two distinct types, the purely Dutch with golden brown hair, gray or hazel eyes and creamy skin and the brunettes of French descent with dark eyes and hair and rich dark coloring. But both types are on a larger scale than their European antecedents. The sun of South Africa is a great vitalizer, and the children of that land of vast spaces have more room to grow and develop in, and they lead from their infancy such an out of doors life that they are bound to be an improvement physically on their sisters of the northern hemisphere.

Dutch women of South Africa always accompanied their husbands in their large booted, slow moving wagons their domestic existence extended to carelessness about neatness and dress, but it developed in them an infinite capacity for persevering effort, a strength of character, a stubbornness, as well as great vitality, all of which excellent qualities go to the making of a strong nation.

The present generation can be divided into two distinct classes, the inhabitants of the veld and those of the towns and villages, and while the fundamental characteristics are the same—grit, tenacity, perseverance, independence of spirit, there is a wide difference between the door woman of the veld and the educated Dutch woman of the towns.

The former on reaching the age of 30 are large, fat and heavy. They marry very young and have patriarchal families, and over many children they wield a great sway and influence very much greater than that of the English woman.

To a stranger the Dutch woman appears stupid and stolid, she stutters her mouth determinedly and sits stolidly through the day, but in reality she is taking a course of grandeur of her appearance, ways and manners and nothing escapes her notice. If she is possessed of his friendliness and good intentions she may relax a little, but the Dutch never by any chance tell you anything more than they wish you to know.

The Boer women have always been accustomed to a good supply of Kaffir servants on their farms and they are not quite the energetic housewives one imagines but they generally prevail on their servants to get the work done to their satisfaction and there is one branch of housewifery in which they excel—the making of komfy or preserves, whether jam-making of the ordinary kind or a more elaborate method of preserving the delicious fruit of the land.

Wide as the poles asunder are the educated Dutch women of the towns or those indeed of the country who have been sent to Cape Colony or to Europe to school. As adaptable as the Americans, with decided mental ability, they are full of common sense.

A girl who has been to a good school in South Africa and afterwards in Europe, has something most charming and fascinating about her. Handsome, vivacious, capable, with a clear idea of what she wants and how to get it, she carves a pleasant and useful way for herself through life.

Her out of doors life has made her strong and healthy and she sees the advantage of a certain amount of exercise. Since the war, if before, she has taken a great interest in politics as well as in the work of her father or husband and in philanthropic work she displays strong organizing ability. She has not yet developed the "female bachelor" ways of independent English womanhood, for in South Africa in every colony there is a large surplus of men and the Dutch girl invariably marries young and rules husband and family ever after.

WILL TAKE SELL AT BAZAR.
Articles Easily Prepared and Likely to Be Popular.

In making articles or bazars, a suggestion of something that is easily prepared and is likely to sell well is worth remembering. Pretty little Japanese cups and saucers can

be bought very cheaply, and they can be filled with chocolate cream and covered in at the top with silver paper, and then tied up tastefully with colored ribbon in the manner shown in our sketch. If preferred, the chocolates can be wrapped in one of those Japanese paper serviettes, which may be purchased by the dozen.

The bright colors of the cups and saucers and ribbons will make a very attractive spot on a stall, and they should sell easily.

Patronize our...

WOMAN R. F. D. CARRIER.

Miss Mary Cheek Has Had Regular Route Since 1902.

Check until recently was the only woman carrying mail on rural free delivery routes.



MARY E. CHEEK

A noted cook gives the following as the best of all kitchen bouquets: Take one onion, one celery root, one carrot, one sweet potato, one parsnip, one red pepper, one shallot and from one to four clove garlics, according to taste. Remove the seeds from the pepper, scrape the carrot and parsnip, peel the onion and potato, and chop all the vegetables very small. Mix with them large bay leaves and a fourth of a teaspoonful of cloves, mace, cinnamon and allspice, many cooks prefer to omit the cinnamon. Mix all together and season with a teaspoonful of salt and half a teaspoonful of white pepper. Put a layer of the vegetables in the bottom of a saucepan, sprinkle well with brown sugar, then add another layer of vegetables and another of sugar. Proceed in this way until all are used. Put in a quick oven, when they have baked to a rich brown add half a cupful of cold water, and stir on top of the stove until a rich brown syrup has formed, it will require fifteen or twenty minutes. Strain off the syrup and bottle, "corking" it tightly. Keep in a cool place. A very little of this added to soups, stews or sauces will give richness both in color and flavor.—Mary Foster Snider.

BEST OF KITCHEN BOUQUETS.

TO HOLD THE WATCH.
Contrivance of Great Utility for the Hours of Night.

This novel little holder for a watch is intended for hanging upon the wall by the side of a bed, and into which a watch may be slipped at night-time, and be easily seen when required.

A piece of stout cardboard of the shape shown should be used for the

foundation, and in the center a circular hole cut to fit the watch it is intended for. The cardboard can be covered with any pretty piece of silk or brocade on which has been worked a pretty little floral design. It is entirely edged with cord, and there is a loop at the top by which it may be hung upon the wall. At the back of the circular space, out in the center, is sewn a small pocket of wash leather, into which the watch may be placed; the lower part of the back view explains this.

Fall River Wage Earners.
Instead of one woman in five, forty-five out of a hundred are wage-earners in Fall River, Mass. An Everybody's Magazine writer learns, moreover, that out of the 10,274 women cotton-workers in Fall River in 1900 there were only 345 who could say that both of their parents had been born in the United States.

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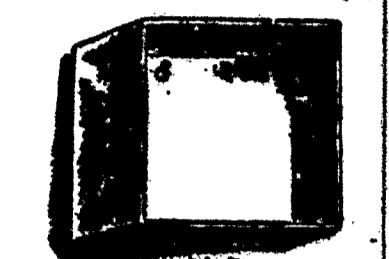
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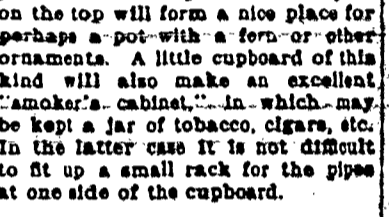
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Two holes should be cut in the bottom of the box, and it may then be suspended from the wall by means of two strong nails in the manner shown in the upper sketch.

The front and sides can be draped



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With a pretty odd remnant of material that we happen to have by us, and an opening arranged in the center so that the articles inside are easily procured when required. The space on the top will form a nice place for perhaps a pot with a fern or other ornaments. A little cupboard of this kind will also make an excellent "smoker's cabinet," in which may be kept a jar of tobacco, cigars, etc. In the latter case it is not difficult to fit up a small rack for the pipes at one side of the cupboard.



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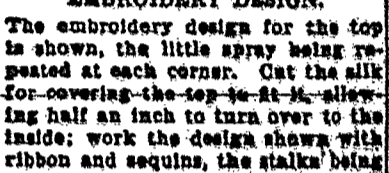
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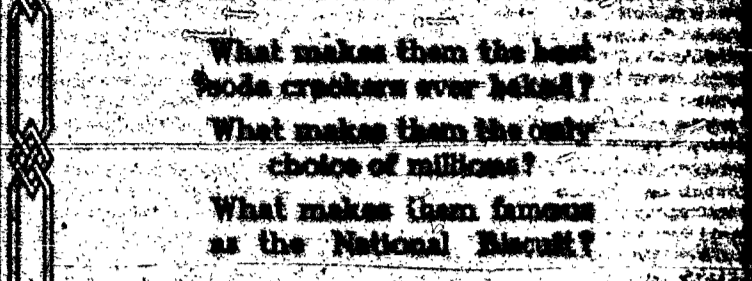
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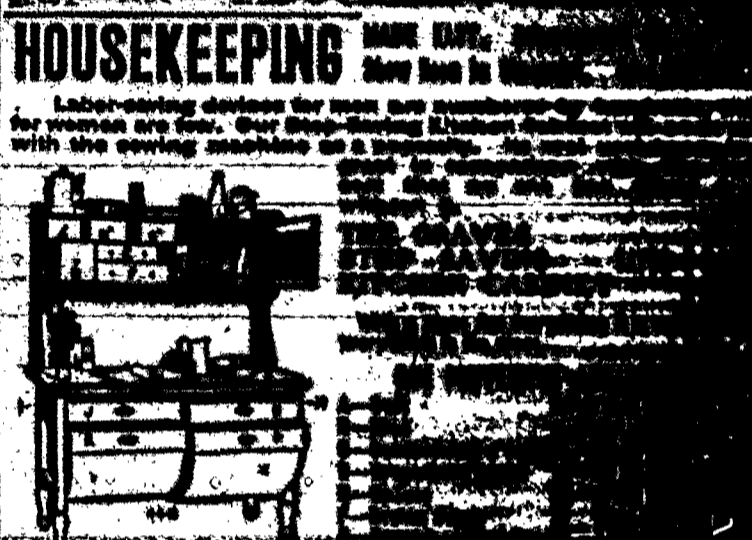


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