

WASHINGTON LETTER THE SPORTING WORLD FOR THE HOUSEWIFE PEOPLE OF THE DAY FOR THE CHILDREN WOMAN'S VALOR

By CARL SCHOFIELD, Special Correspondent. Officers of the George Washington Memorial Association and others interested in the erection of a memorial building to the first president of the nation are formulating plans for an extensive campaign in the District of Columbia.

Memorial to Washington. The George Washington Memorial Association was incorporated here in September, 1894, for the purpose of erecting at the national capital a building to be known as the "George Washington Memorial Building" in commemoration of the interest taken by the first president in higher education in America.

The memorial building which it is proposed to erect in furtherance of this idea is to be practical in plan and construction, of a durable character and an architectural feature of the capital. It is planned to have a hall as a home and gathering place for the national patriotic societies, literary, art, medical and other similar organizations that may need such accommodations.

To Contain Big Auditorium. It has often been pointed out that the national capital is the appropriate meeting place for all organizations that are national in character and yet many of them are deterred from coming here owing to the lack of suitable accommodations for large conventions. The proposed memorial building will contain a great hall or auditorium, probably as spacious as any in the country, and other rooms for the meeting of congresses or conventions of smaller size, office rooms for the headquarters of the various organizations that may be associated with the project and students' research rooms.

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Maher to Ride Again.

Danny Maher the famous American jockey, who has ridden with great success on the English tracks for several years past is once more going to exhibit his riding skill on Johnny Bull's turf. On his arrival in this country



from England last December Maher stated that he had retired from the saddle and would look for a position as trainer of thoroughbreds in England or France. A few remaining fees and nearly all that was possible forced him to reconsider his determination to retire.

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Household Wisdom.

To keep kitchen tables white scrub them with cold water, soap and a little silver sand. Do not use hot water on tables, as it turns them yellow.

Stewed Spinach. Spinach will be found much better if the fruit is soaked for several hours before stewing. They should be stewed in the same water in which washed.

Baked Hash of Rice and Beef. Take one cupful of cooked beef, one cupful of cooked rice, one cupful of milk, one egg, two tablespoons of butter, one teaspoonful of salt and one fourth teaspoonful of pepper.

Frying Lard. To keep bread crumbs quickly dry bread in the oven after crusts have been removed, then run through the meat chopper and put away in glass jars.

Strawberry Coups. Fill shallow glasses with vanilla ice cream to within a fourth of the distance from the top. Then cover the cream with a spoonful of strawberry preserve and one or two of whipped cream.

Improved Refrigerator. An improved kind of refrigerator invented by a Georgia man is shown in the illustration. It is a row of drawers with which the ordinary refrigerator is equipped.

Glass Cleaning Hint. Place pulverized pumice stone between the fingers of a folded piece of soft muslin and scrub around the edge to keep the powder from spilling.

A Laundry Hint. Few people know how to hang sheets properly upon the line. Shake them well while still wet and hang them with the hems together and the hem edge pinned to the line.

Apple Snow. Peel and grate one large apple and sprinkle over it one small cupful of powdered sugar.

A Good Washing Fluid. Take equal parts of household ammonia and turpentine. Shake well and then when boiling clothes put two to three spoonfuls of the liquid into the boiler.

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Senator Allds of New York.

John H. Allds state senator of New York has been undergoing most disagreeable experience. He was put on the grill charged by one of his fellows as a receiver of money for influencing legislation.

The retired leader is a native of the state he has served for nearly thirteen years. Since 1884 he has been sent regularly to the legislature, first as an assemblyman and in 1892 to the senate among his companions Senator Allds is known as big hearted and generous.



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Diplomacy of a Judge. Judge Walter Evans of the United States district court ought to be in the diplomatic service, his friends say. He is known as a man of rare tact.

New Style Obituary. Dr. C. H. Parkhurst lamenting at a dinner in New York the frequency of American divorces said with a smile.

Once a Power in Politics. Former Senator Thomas Collier Platt of New York, who not many years ago was a power to be reckoned with in national politics, has again come into the limelight.

Animal Crackers. This is great fun for little folks and a good game for children's parties. You all know those little biscuit in the shape of animals, lions, sheep, dogs, and so on.

For Mother. If you want to give mother a birthday present, one easily made and very useful, make her a linen shoe wrapper.

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An Amusing Trick.

This trick should be announced as an easy way of doubling any one's fortune. "You will soon see," the performer may remark to his audience, "that this is a much better way of making money than to work for it."

The performer then takes a common drinking glass three-quarters full of water and drops a quarter into the water and quickly turns the glass with the plate on top of it, so that the plate is on that bottom.

Game of Blacksmith. Any number of boys and girls may take part in this game. The first thing with his arms, though he must have to do to "count out," as in hide and seek.

Naming Cities. This is a lively pastime for quick-witted people young or old. The players are seated in a circle, and the leader says "I shall name a city and then count ten slowly."

An Aliteration Game. Provide each player with pencil and paper and every two minutes give out a letter. During the two minutes each can't imagine how she escaped detection.

Questions and Answers. Why is a book like a lung? Because it has many pages. When are two apples alike? When pared.

Why is an author a strange animal? Because he is the owner of many tales and they all emanate from his head.

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Woman's Valor.

Major Hardy, Captain Mason and myself were the three senior officers on the staff of a general officer. Our tent was pitched upon a hill top, several pieces of ground. Mason was the first to break the long silence.

"Well, for my part," quoth he, "I don't believe one word of women enlisting and serving as soldiers. Every paper you take up is full of some such trash. The other day at inspection Jay, the assistant surgeon of the Twenty-ninth, said he'd had that splendid boy of his that one of the corporals in Company A of the Tenth was a woman."

Hardy did not reply. "Mason," said I, "do you remember at Bull Run, when we were both in the Seventh infantry, what a splendid fellow you were for an color sergeant? How gallantly he defended his flag and then how almost miraculously he saved Colonel Blair's life in the charge?"

"Indeed I do," replied the captain, with enthusiasm, starting to his feet, water a principle of physics which all boys and girls who are well along in their studies will understand.

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