

Woman's World

Speaker Clark's Daughter Will Study Governments.



Miss Genevieve Clark.

Miss Genevieve Clark, the daughter of Speaker and Mrs. Champ Clark, has sailed for Europe to make a special study of European governments. She is chaperoned by Mrs. George Harvey, wife of the New York publisher.

After a short shopping trip in Paris Miss Clark and Mrs. Harvey will go to Rome, where they will be joined by Miss Dorothy Harvey, now in school there.

Miss Clark, who celebrated her eighteenth birthday last December, is well versed in American political lore and theories. She has an ambition to become a great writer. A short time ago she decided to enter upon a newspaper career. A Washington newspaper woman has been tutoring Miss Clark, and she has already written several news stories.

BOOKS AND MAGAZINES.

In Summer Special Care Should Be Taken With Library.

Magazines quickly serve their day. They are read, tossed aside and forgotten in anticipation of the next month's issue. Occasionally they are preserved in the form of bound volumes. These bound volumes are interesting, and shelves of them reaching back for many years are valuable. Special stories can be taken out and bound. Any one who understands bookbinding can get really beautiful books in this way, but the woman who does not understand this art can cover pieces of pasteboard a little larger than the magazine page with cloth, carefully folded over and pasted down on the wrong side about the edges. The inside of the cover made thus by a square of cloth or paper pasted over the edges of the covering of the other side. Two of these covers, with half a dozen holes punched half an inch from the back edge, can be fastened together over the story by means of silk cords run through neat corresponding holes in the pages of the story.

Books demand great care in the summer. The dampness which collects in uncooled houses is bad for them, and so are darkness and dust, other attributes of the house vacated for the summer. Dust is avoidable in summer, for the books, if they are not protected by glass doors, can be covered with newspapers tacked over the shelves or with strips of heavy muslin. Dampness is almost unavoidable in an empty house. And darkness, unless glass doors protect the books, is also unavoidable. If the books are under glass leave the room where they are shelved as bright and light as possible.

Attractive Fans.

Attractive fans of the size liked for dances and the theater have plain sandalwood mouldings and spreads of flexible soft satin in delicate tones edged with a fine vine in handwork. Somewhat more expensive are fans of beautifully carved sandalwood with tops of silk embroidered and hand-painted with a cherry blossom design. Celluloid mounted fans come in every imaginable color, sometimes with spreads of hand-painted celluloid and again topped with marabou and decorated with tiny flowers in silk. Now days all self-respecting fans come in silk bags velled and edged with white or black lace or with gold or silver net.

A Sash Season.

This season the sash is helping to eliminate what waist fashion has left us. It will undoubtedly be smarter to have a slightly defined waist line than one which is definitely marked, and the sash of today is so loosely bound around the figure that we get a thick, rather careless negligee effect, which is, however, soft and natural.

The natural effect is the keynote of all schemes this season. In everything we wear the aim is to look natural.

First Woman Commissioner.

Sacramento has chosen a woman as commissioner of education. Her name is Mrs. Lucile E. Johnston, and Sacramento makes the claim that she is the first woman ever chosen by any city which has adopted the commissioner system of government.

Milady's Mirror

New Wrinkles About Wrinkles. It is a great mistake to suppose that all wrinkles indicate old age. Some wrinkles and lines are indications of temperament and character and result from a muscular contraction of the cheek or brow. These lines become permanently engraved in the face as the underlying tissue shrinks from the steady contraction and consequent lack of circulation.

Wrinkles are often caused by ill health, mental strain and nervousness, and generally these wrinkles can be induced to leave by careful treatment and by building up the health and nervous system.

Whatever tends to promote the general health, to increase the deposit of fat in the skin tissues of the face, will help to obliterate these telltale lines and restore firmness and smoothness.

Very often the skin of the face has become extremely dry, and lines form themselves very quickly and for no apparent reason.

While it is absolutely necessary to keep the face perfectly clean, some skins are so delicate and tender that the use of a bland soap is harmful, and such skins need an entirely different treatment from the stronger, coarser skins. It is also necessary to give the skin a chance to recuperate from the drying and parching effect of the steam heated air of modern houses. Skin that is parched and inelastic will wrinkle much sooner than soft, pliable skin. Use plenty of good skin food; don't skip it; it really does not pay; then wipe it off with a soft towel or piece of cheesecloth.

How to Massage.

Massage the face with a good skin food for twenty minutes at night after the face has been washed with tepid water and the soap paste. Massage besides stimulating the skin by increasing the circulation, smooths the surface. Think of the skin as a piece of wrinkled soft paper. To make the paper smooth so that it can be used again one pats and smooths out the creases. The same treatment should be applied to the face, the main difference being that the flesh requires a firmer stroke than would be given to a more perishable material.

The following is an excellent skin food for this purpose: White wax, one ounce; spermaceti, one ounce; lanolin, two ounces; cocoa nut oil, two ounces; sweet almond oil, four ounces; rosewater, two ounces. Melt the first five ingredients in a double boiler, take from the fire and while heating slowly add the rosewater. When quite cold put into jars. This food will not cause a growth of hair on the face.

A good lotion for use in treating premature wrinkles is made from the following formula: Alum, sixty grains; almond milk (thick), one and one-half ounces; rosewater, six ounces. Dissolve the alum in the rosewater; then pour gently into the almond milk, shaking constantly.

How to Remove Dandruff.

An excellent dandruff remover is made up of alcohol, resorcin, cinchon, cantharides and quinine.

A shampooer who takes an interest in her work pays as much attention to the removal of the dandruff as she does to cleansing the hair. The dandruff should be loosened from the scalp by massaging the scalp with the finger tips or by the use of a small brush like a nailbrush. The hair should be parted at intervals so that the scalp substances can be easily reached.

Dandruff on a neglected scalp clogs. When this happens there is an irresistible impulse to remove it. Do not do this with the finger nails, as it often causes the blood to flow and may destroy the root of the hair.

Not only does dandruff retard the growth of the hair, but it certainly offends the eye of every one who has any conception of neatness to see the clinging of another covered with these scaly particles. Each of us ought to have sufficient pride about our appearance to endeavor to keep our scalp clean and our clothes immaculate.

Darkening Eyebrows.

When touching up light eyebrows, if glycerin is applied lightly before the color is added, the effect will be better and not so injurious. Just burnt cork or an eyebrow pencil such as can be had at any drug store is the least harmful of the darkening agents, but if one is attempting to improve the texture or shape of the brows it is far better to leave off dyes or markings of any kind, as almost all of these dyes have chemicals in them which injure the roots of the hair. There is slight chance of one's brows showing any improvement as long as the roots are not in a healthy condition. It requires weeks to show improvement under any condition. Therefore the applications must be kept up with regularity to be beneficial.

Soap Paste Instead of Soap.

A recipe for a soap paste that is both whitening, softening and healing follows:

Strained honey, fifty grams; white soap shaved into small bits, forty grams; tincture of benzoin, ten grams; white wax, thirty grams. Melt the soap, honey and white wax in a double boiler. Add the benzoin when the mixture is removed from the fire.

LAST YEAR'S FROCK.

Easy to Remodel Foulard Costume.



THE SLEEVELESS TUNIC.

Sleeveless tunics and draperies over skirts of contrasting fabric are now the height of fashion, and the thrifty woman is evolving a stunning new gown with three yards of plain fabric and her last season's foulard. This graceful frock has a sleeveless and draped tunic of silk voile in a lovely shade of rather dull green over a foundation of flowered silk in green, pink and brown tones.

The Spring Bride.

Materials used for the bridal gown are the white fabrics of clinging variety. The most beautiful material for this use seen this season are not of extremely smooth finish, but are of soft, lustrous texture and are well adapted to graceful lines of the present modes.

Among the most popular materials are white crepe tulle, plain and crepe charmeuse, chiffon faille, canton crepe, moire chiffon and brocade chiffon. All of the soft handmade laces and the finer of those made by machine are combined with chiffon or trimming or to form the bolice of the gown.

A new bow for the bridal slipper is a rosette of chiffon into which are caught natural orange blossoms. White rosebuds are also used in these chiffon rosettes.

The fluffy white bow of chiffon or chiffon and satin mixed is also in favor for the wedding slipper.

Rhinestone buckles may be used, but bows and rosettes are better choice.

A Cracker Basket.

For the woman who loves a cup of tea in the afternoon and who also likes a small cookie or cheese cracker or some such tidbit to nibble while sipping her tea there is a new suggestion in the way of serving the wafers and cakes.

Often even a sandwich plate will be too small to hold as many crackers as are needed when three or four friends drop in for a cup of tea and gossip, and for this a dower basket, the style that is flat with a tall handle, generally used for the garden when picking flowers, is just the thing. If it holds a most surprising number of cakes, and in this way one can easily pass a large number of tidbits at one time without the least inconvenience, and for crackers, scones and biscuits with jelly and cheese and other such delicacies as cannot be had on top of a plate. Each of us ought to have such a basket in her kitchen.

Elastic Corset Laces.

If elastic is used with elastic straps, they will be found much more comfortable than the usual laces. Any woman knows that corsets cannot be fitly worn with elastic laces. The reason is not only a matter of beauty of form, but the corsets are an actual support and without them a woman has an "all gone feeling." With the substitution of elastic for the usual corset laces, a objectionable feature to the corset are removed. It is no longer an "instrument of torture."

Gay Frocks For Children.

The fashion for bright colorings is as popular as ever, and its conquest is complete as regards some little frocks for children suitable for the spring.

Made of fine crash, cut in the May garb shape, the hem and sleeves bordered with scarlet, the front embroidered in bright colors and the whole finished with a scarlet woolen girdle and tassels, they are delightful as play frocks and will wash well. Little Dutch bonnets of the same material and worked in the same style are the prettiest adjuncts to these small frocks.

DAME FASHION.

Waistcoats Are a Conspicuous Detail.



SMART OUTFIT COAT.

This jaunty coat of coq de roche serge makes a brilliant dash of color against an out of door background, and the vivid red of the model is particularly effective in combination with a dainty frock of machine embroidered batiste.

Sheet and Pillowcase Shower.

A young woman who belonged to a sewing club composed of six members announced her engagement, and the other members planned the most unique shower, to which they asked the men that is, each asked an escort. These girls conceived the happy idea which made this affair a reality.

Each one made a pair of sheets and a pair of pillowcases. Then, arrayed in these ghostly garments, they presented themselves at the house of the bride elect. They all met at the house next door and dressed. The bride's mother had been taken into the secret and looked out for the refreshments, which the men had sent up. After the surprise was over and the white costumes taken off it was explained that the sheets and pillowcases would next be seen neatly laundered and tied up with sachets of lavender for the linen chest.

A Picnic Shelf.

A woman who gives her friends and children picnics during the spring and summer has a "picnic shelf," and she starts it just about now. She sets aside one shelf in her cupboard and puts on it many little things that one might otherwise throw away—the little cheese or olive bottles or a good shaped jam jar for packing picnic delicacies. All the oiled paper from the packaged brands of biscuit is just as good as the bought kind in the roll, and these she saves. A mayonnaise bottle she refills with the homemade variety. Corks, attractive strings, candy and tin boxes she finds good use for later. Then she watches the magazines and papers for new picnic suggestions, and it is surprising how many new ideas for sand, sandwich and other dainty things she collects in this way.

For the Summer Girl.

This gay and coquettish little mid-summer hat is tilted forward on a bandeau, and the back of the brim



MODEL TIPPED UP ON BANDEAU also rolls slightly upward. The plait in the hair is a dainty addition and softens the line of the hat.

No Red Haired Old Maids.

Sir Philip Burne-Jones wants to know if any one ever saw a red haired old maid, and his question is said to have plunged London society into a controversy as warm as the hair concerned. Sir William Ramsay says that the lack of red headed spinsters is due to the fact that they always get married. Men like them, he says, and so they marry quickly. Burne-Jones gives the same reason for the lack. No one seems to have any statistics in regard to the red haired woman in the matrimonial courts.

Points for Mothers

Let the Baby Learn to Walk Himself. Please don't do it! There is probably not one case in a hundred of distressingly bowlegged that cannot be laid to the fault of a proud mother or some eager relative who has not only allowed but encouraged the victim, when a baby, to walk too soon.

One can sympathize with very pardonable pride and eagerness with which young parents watch the first efforts toward walking on the part of the baby, but it is not easy to pardon the ignorance displayed in forcing the fat baby to stand and walk before the bones are strong enough to bear the weight of the heavy little body.

The baby allowed to learn to walk and to make his first experiments of his own accord without undue forcing or teaching will develop naturally, with small legs sufficiently strong to bear the weight of the sturdy body when walking time comes.

It must be remembered that it is not merely want of strength that prevents an infant from walking at first. The natural shape of the legs renders it impossible. The feet are turned in, so that the inner sides are upward. When placed upon its feet while the baby is very young the soles will not rest upon the ground. But this need not occasion any alarm on the part of the mother. In a short time the position of the feet will change, and they will become fitted for the purposes of locomotion. Then each process in "learning to walk" should be allowed to develop naturally.

"Dr. Bull," the "child specialist," said: "The best method of teaching a child to walk is to let it teach itself." This it will do readily enough. It will first learn to crawl—a procedure which exercises every muscle in the body and does not fatigue the child. The crawling process fits the additional advantage of imparting vigor and strength without throwing undue weight upon the bones. The more upright creeping follows the crawling.

Then, having the power, it will naturally wish to do more. It will endeavor to lift itself upon its feet by aid of a chair, and, though it will fall again and again in its attempts, it will persevere until it accomplishes the feat.

Gardens For Little People.

Many mothers are now planning to have a little garden for John and Mary because this summer they will be big enough to profit by it, says Jessie Wright Whitcomb in the Mother's Magazine. Many mothers are also ruefully remembering the crash of hopes last summer, so far as the children's gardening was concerned, and are wondering whether it will be worth while to try it again. They remember seeds dug up or drained off with excessive watering, flower plants ruthlessly jerked up and weeds left standing, dried and parched and cracked little beds or tangles of triumphant-jimson, dandelions and knot grass.

Or perhaps it may recall anxious little workers and sorry disappointment over poor, spindly, flowerless plants. We have had all sorts of experiences in our family, and I feel as though a succession of summers had drilled into me exactly what is what for a small child's garden.

The main thing is to have a very limited variety of seeds and those of a strong, hardy, free blooming sort. A child of three, four or five years can have a satisfactory garden of three sorts of seeds, so that he can learn the leaves of three plants and then weed out everything else.

Children love flowers, but they do not love disappointment, and the way to make contented little gardeners, even of children who perhaps have but little affinity with the soil, is to limit the varieties of seeds you give them and to have those varieties all bright, free bloomers.

Baby an Important Patron.

Everywhere baby is receiving proofs that he is the most important person in the community. Moreover, it is being taken into account that baby does not stay at home, as he used to, except for occasional and brief airings.

Even the hotels, which are generally thought of as soulless and indifferent and who formerly thought they were making ample provision for the infrequent and undesired baby visitor if they provided a high chair or two have awakened to the fact that the baby of the twentieth century is a person to be reckoned with and to be catered to.

"A cot" was the reply to a request of this kind recently at one of the large hotels. "Yes, we can put a cot in your room if you desire. But would your child be more comfortable in a crib?"

The mother, who had been worried lest her baby should not sleep well on an improvised bed in a strange place, almost fell on the hotel man's neck as she expressed her gratitude for his suggestion. Soon the porter brought in a little white cradle, with comfortable mattress and pillows, just like the one at home, and the parents were won as permanent patrons of that hotel.

In the splendid new railway stations that have been built recently, too, the fact that baby travels has been remembered, and in the well equipped and supervised rest room there are dainty cribs for the baby that has been frightened and worried by the din of the railway journey.

For the Children

Czarevitch of Russia Playing in the Snow.



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Grand Duke Alexis Nicholasievitch, heir apparent to the throne of Russia (czarevitch is the Russian for crown prince), is very much like other little boys of his age. Of course he doesn't have the opportunity for fun that just ordinary boys have because he is more or less confined. It wouldn't do for him to run at large and join a group of companions in the street. He might be kidnaped, or perhaps something worse might happen to him. The young prince will be nine years old next July. While ago it was reported that he had been wounded by a bullet—but now it appears that he was only suffering from an accident. American boys need not envy the little prince his grand titles and great wealth. They are very much better off in their freedom to play with their companions. The czarevitch's picture was taken while he was playing in the snow at Tsarskoe-Selo.

Traditions of the Rose.

The Syrians regard the rose as an emblem of immortality. The Chinese plant the flower above graves, and in the Tyrol it is said to produce sleep. Germans call the rose of Jericho the Christmas rose, and it is supposed to divine the events of the year if steeped in water on Christmas eve. It is said in Persia that there is a certain charmed day in which the rose has a heart of gold. Another tradition relates that there is a silver table on a certain mountain in India and on this table lies a silver rose that contains two beautiful women who praise God without ceasing. In the center of the rose is the triangle—the residence of God.

It is said that if a white rose bloom in autumn an early death is prognosticated, while an autumn blooming red rose signifies marriage. The red rose it is said, will not bloom over a grave.

In England as well as in France it is said that beauty and rosy cheeks will come to the maiden who will bury a drop of her blood under a red rose bush.

Querer Cough Remedy.

Whooping cough is whooping cough the world over, but some races have the queerest cures for it you ever dreamed of. The gypsies, for instance, feel certain that a dormouse roasted and eaten will bring relief, while in a certain section of England ignorant people will pull several hairs from the head of a child ill with whooping cough, roll them up in a bit of meat and give the latter to a dog to eat, believing that in this way the disease will pass from the child to the animal.

Now, what would you think of your good, kind family doctor if he gave you such treatment as that when you were "barking your head off" and strangling and choking in painful efforts to catch your breath?

Weather Signs.

A rainbow in the morning gives the shepherd warning—that is, if the wind be easterly—because it shows that a cloud is approaching the observer.

A rainbow at night is the shepherd's delight. This is also a good sign provided the wind be westerly, as it shows that the rain clouds are passing away.

Evening red and next morning gray are certain signs of a beautiful day.

Greetings of Many Lands.

It is common in Arabia to put cheek to cheek. The Hindu falls with his face to the dust in greeting a superior. The Chinaman never remains mounted in the presence of a great man. A Japanese removes his sandals, crosses his hands upon his breast and cries out the equivalent of "Spare me!"

Polly Spry's Trial.

Polly Spry has been summoned to court. Awaiting her are cats of every sort. Each with a terrible tale of woe. Poor Polly quakes from head to toe. "Gilty or not guilty?" cries the judge in awful tone. "Not guilty," says Polly, ashamed her sins to own. Oh, Polly, those twelve jurors know! Look at this poor little pussy with red ribbon bow. That girl gulls her tail to make her misdo. And rubs her fur the wrong way too. She gives her lots of twists and turns. That's why she's so much like the cat. Oh, Polly Spry, what will the jurors do with such a naughty girl as you?