

Woman's World

Mrs. Frederic C. Penfield, Wife of Austrian Ambassador.



MRS. FREDERIC C. PENFIELD.

Probably the most exacting court in Europe from a social standpoint is that of Vienna, and for this reason the wife of the Austrian ambassador to Austria has a peculiarly difficult role to fill.

Mrs. Frederic C. Penfield, wife of the recently appointed representative from this country, has nothing to fear on this score, as she is the possessor of unusual social qualities. Besides this, she is an accomplished linguist, speaking Italian, French, German and Spanish fluently.

Mrs. Penfield, too, is keenly appreciative of good music and her brilliant musicals have long been a theme of admiring comment in New York society.

Before her marriage to Mr. Penfield, the distinguished author, diplomatist and traveler several years ago, Mrs. Penfield was the widow - Weichtman-Walker, and the only surviving child of the late William Weichtman of Philadelphia, whose entire fortune of \$70,000,000 descended to his daughter.

Mrs. Penfield is very charitable, and for her benefactions in the cause of Catholic education, especially to the American college at Rome, she has been created a marchioness by the Pope.

The Penfield home in New York city is a veritable museum of art, and among the art objects are wonderful collections of pictures, vases, miniatures, ivories and lacers. One room is devoted to works by the English painter of the eighteenth century, George Morland.

"Never Mind."

One of the sweetest misions of womanhood is to say, some time or several times, to some big, strong man bowed under discouragement, "Dear, never mind," says Edna Worley.

There doesn't seem to be much sense in those two words, "never mind," but, oh, how soothing they can be and how much they mean when the woman says them to the man!

They take the sting out of defeat. They calm wrath and hate. They blunt disaster. They lighten the weight of disappointment.

The man may be strong. He may be a power in the world. And he may be one of those who can never quite catch up with the ones who are forging ahead. But the man with power and the man who is behind the procession both come to the time when the only thing that helps one woman's "Never mind."

Perhaps mother says it. You remember, don't you, when you took your childish woes to mother and she listened and sympathized, and then - "Never mind, dearie. It'll soon be over."

And when you went out into the world - the hurts that came to you; you took them to mother. And again mother listened and sympathized and perhaps advised. Then, "Never mind. You'll overcome it all."

Didn't it help a heap? You went forth again in new armor.

And a man never knows what a wife can mean to him until that time comes when his troubles seem too great to bear; when he and his wife have that inevitable talk over affairs and when, whether it's his own fault or the fault of others, the one woman looks into his eyes and gently pats his cheek and says, "Dear, never mind. We'll manage somehow."

It's only love that can say it. Perhaps that's why the commonplace little words are so healing. And it's an empty life indeed when there's nobody to say to you some time, when the bleak of the world are hardest: "Dear, never mind."

Mascot Ring For Duchess

The mascot engagement ring is the latest thing in jewelry. It is said that Prince Arthur has given the Duchess of Fife an old ring belonging to the family of the Red Prince, to which she is his mother belongs. This jewel has a history. It was given by a former prince, when he was going to the wars. It is in the shape of a diamond, which are nine magnificent diamonds taking the form of an anchor, suggestive of faith and trustfulness. For years the mascot ring has been in the possession of the Duchess of Connaught.

Good Form

Courtesy at Home and Abroad.

There are many persons who have a reputation for mannerliness and charm who would shock even their closest friends at 7 in the morning. They regularly "get up on the wrong side of the bed," and until breakfast and exercise have put them right they are too unmannerly and disagreeable to deserve anybody's friendship. This sort of unmannerliness is the result of habit, of laziness. It is simply too much trouble to be agreeable early in the morning, think these early morning crosspatches. And they sink and fume to their heart's content, blaming their bad spirits on the morning air.

The morning, of course, ought to be the time of day when we all feel fresh and in the best possible humor. To be sure, some of us awaken so hungry for breakfast that we have little thought for anything else. Little children are sometimes uncomfortable until they have something to eat, and therefore they are cross. But as soon as we graduate from the little children class we should remember - or learn - that the effort to be courteous should take precedence of the effort to satisfy our appetites for toast and coffee.

The girl who thought she was in love until she thought of sitting opposite the object of her affections at three meals a day was the sort of girl who forgets about everyday courtesy. To her the idea that a man should be agreeable to his wife during each meal of the day's three or the year's thousand odd was absurd. She knew that at home, in the privacy of her own family, she put the cloak of courtesy aside, and "acted just as she felt." If she did not like the weather she grumbled about it.

If she wanted more clothes than her allowance would buy she said so. If the food did not come up to her standards or the service struck her as inadequate she complained about these things. She neglected to say "Thank you" to servants and family. When there were guests at her home or when she was a guest in some one else's home she was the model of mannerly deportment. Her honeyed smiles and soft words were famous. But she simply ignored the demands of every day, homely courtesy.

Children should be taught to be just as thoughtful for their brothers and sisters, their mothers and fathers and uncles and aunts and grandparents and their family's servants as they are for strangers. Sometimes, when much prodding and reminding fail to elicit a "Thank you" from a small child, the inference is strong that the small child is not in the habit of saying "Thank you" at home for the small everyday courtesies which its elders shower upon it. More than that, it seems likely that it seldom bears its elders use these two simple but meaningful words.

For children are imitative to a surprising extent, so far as manners are concerned. The small son of a father who treats his wife with unfailing consideration is almost always courteous to his mother, and so the small daughter of a woman who is courteous to her husband is not the small daughter who says carelessly, "Oh, that's just father," when she hears her name called.

Women have a big opportunity for being courteous in their dress. A woman's family is really just as deserving of neatness and careful dressing on her part as is the public or her friends. She sometimes forgets this when she dons ragged or soiled finery at home, because it is "just home" and saves her neat and orderly clothes to wear in the street and in the houses of her friends.

Punctuality.

Some one has called punctuality "the politeness of princes." It also belongs to all who would pride themselves on an adherence to rules that have the consideration of others for their basis. That is the important thing - there must be a guiding star of unselfishness if your conduct is to be of the highest type.

At a formal dinner party at which a certain hour has been mentioned the guests should arrive ten or fifteen minutes beforehand, to remove wraps, be introduced to others and to have a short talk with the host and hostess. The dinner should be announced on the minute, and guests who are late should join the party at the table after being greeted by the hostess and extending an excuse that, of course, must be a very strong one. Usually lateness is only a formal affair of this kind is inexcusable.

If an invitation is extended to you by a gentleman to take you to a dance or to the theater you should arrange to be ready when he arrives. He, of course, should plan his time to arrive conveniently early. He should certainly not be kept waiting very long while a woman sees how late she can be.

Punctuality in letter writing is also an important thing. When a letter is received asking you for information answer it immediately. When a question is asked, give a polite, punctual reply. It is a sign of consideration. Stay out of bed a few minutes later in order to do this or rise a little earlier in the morning. Do not let delinquency be one of your bad habits.

If it never too late to begin to form a good habit. Is punctuality one of your habits? If not, make it one.

NOT A TROUSER GOWN.

This Design Has, Though, Suggestion of Split Skirt.



COSTUME OF MOIRE ESPAGNOLE.

No, this is not a trouserette costume. It is simply a chic draped skirt originated by a French dressmaker. The costume is made of moire espagnole - a new fabric resembling tulle, but having the curious watered pattern of moire.

The coat is cut on Cossack lines, and a huge fichu of lace falls gracefully to one side. With models of this kind smart boots are necessary, and shoes with patent leather caps, Louis heels and buttoned tops of material harmonizing with the costume are the correct footwear.

Snapshots of Fashion.

The newest waist line is short in front and long in the back. No matter how many founces appear on the new skirts, the foundation is always narrow.

Rose and black, double faced, are the colors oftenest chosen for the shades of white winter dresses. The kimono sleeve continues for dressy costumes, but with a closely fitting forearm which necessitates a large armhole.

The "box back," a straight plastron of printed voile down the back, with a similar one in front and cuff and collar to match, is the newest thing in belts waists.

Belts are worn with no regard to whether they make the waist look larger or not.

The tiny court plaster patches are worn by fastidious women. Green with canary and king's blue with gold are new color combinations.

Thick, soft materials which look weighty, but are ideally light, are promised for fall evening wraps. Metal novelties, consisting of gold and silver filling threads, are to be popular this fall.

Plaited Skirts.

The return of the plaited skirt is favorable to the wishes of the thousands of sensible women who deplore the preposterous tightness of the fashionable dress of today. These plaited skirts are made in very soft and supple materials, such as homespun, voile and the favorite silk and satin. Tailors catch down the plaits invisibly at the back and in that way maintain the adherence to close outline, but even this is often in a very modified sense, and in consequence delivrance from the mermaid skirt seems not impossible in a few months.

With these plaited skirts the jackets worn are very short, some of them having no basque whatever. They are made in embroidered silk, satin or crash, with rather large patterns in the liveliest of colors. One in slate blue is embroidered with yellow roses and very bright green leaves. The revers and collar match the rest of the little garment, and the sleeves are just long enough to turn the elbows.

The Way to Clean Matting.

A broom is not good for matting, and neither is the frequent use of a wet cloth. The carpet sweeper, used across the grain, is better, but the vacuum cleaner is best of all. The hearth brush is a life preserver to matting, and a labor saver to the housekeeper. It raises little dust, keeps the matting and the corners in proper condition and does not roughen or injure the matting's surface. This brush may be washed without injury if quickly dried.

Care of Gold Jewelry.

Gold jewelry that is dulled may be brightened by dipping it into a solution of warm soapuds containing one part of ammonia to three parts of water. Rinse well and polish with a clean chamols rag. Dull gold may be cleaned by rubbing it gently with a soft brush moistened in bicarbonate of soda and water to which a few drops of ammonia have been added. Rinse thoroughly and dry in pure, warm sawdust.

FOR THE TABLE.

Innovations That Are to Be Found in Shops.



LEG OF MUTTON HOLDER AND COMBINATION FORK.

The leg of mutton holder is quite an innovation that will be appreciated by the housewife. A horn handle to which is attached a steel clamp which is regulated by a small key is all there is to it. The clamp holds firm the bone of the leg and with perfect ease the meat can be carved. The other queer looking object is a combination fork and knife for a one-handed person.

Fall Bride's Traveling Suit.

Already tailors are busy in preparing costumes for the autumn. Oddly enough, black satin appears to be the favorite material for these, and next comes navy blue satin, then moire - very different from the rigid material so well known to our mothers. It is supple, soft and light. Though gray continues to hold its own and whipcord is among the highest of favorites, yet these satin costumes have some justification, being fairly strong and durable and yet malle light.

The little coats are quite short, and many have frills round the neck and edging the revers. Others are supplied with little fancy waistcoats, many in handsome embroideries, or, if not entirely composed of these, are simply bordered with them in the front.

Very elaborate jabots of lace or spotted net are also worn with these little coats. Black and white is beginning to supersede plain black and has taken on a new lease of life among the smart.

Early Autumn Hats.

Signs of the season's changes have their accurate sources in two quarters - the weather man and the fashion prophets. As to which is the more reliable authority is an open query, but that way for diplomacy's sake. Certain it is that the weather man can advise you on the wisdom of rubber shoes or a sunshade for tomorrow.



THE REVOLUTIONAL MODEL.

The fashion prophets can accurately tell what you will wear two months from now.

In your hats it will be mainly velvet. The richness of that material to be used in abundance contrast with chintilly lace and malline. The sensationist hat, however, of the season so far is to be seen in the illustration - the visor cap, with a black velvet puffed crown and visor from covered with heavy ribbed silk. The "prodigious" coque feather placed directly in front of the creation is startling enough to make this model felt wherever it is worn.

Favors Tax on Bachelor Maids.

A tax on bachelor maids, as well as bachelors was advocated before the legislative committee on taxation in Massachusetts by Mrs. Frank W. Page, who described herself as an "old school marm." Women as well as men, she said, enjoyed freedom-of-life, and she said it was worth a tax of \$5 a year to some of them to remain teaching school or working in the stores. Mrs. Page told the committee that 62 per cent of the men in Massachusetts who could afford marriage neglected to marry, most of them willfully.

Cookery Points

Poems in Pastry.

These recipes are from the notebook of a famous chef:

Wafers, Gingerbread.

Four seven fluid ounces of honey into a basin and mix in two ounces each of warm butter and moist sugar, half that quantity of ground sugar and lastly eight ounces of sifted flour. Then stir well until smooth. Turn out on to a greased baking sheet, roll out very thin, and bake in a slow oven. Take out and cut into squares while still hot, roll the squares into shapes and slowly allow to get cold.

Summer Cookies.

Warm three-quarters of a pound of butter and beat it until creamy with a pound of powdered sugar. Mix in three beaten eggs and stir in slowly a pint of sifted flour and a tablespoonful of caraway seeds. Stir a teaspoonful of soda with a teaspoonful of milk, strain it, mix it with a half teaspoonful of cider and mix gradually with the other ingredients. Work the mixture well, adding more flour if required to bring it to the desired stiffness. Sprinkle flour on the bread board, place the paste on it, roll out and cut into rounds. Lay on a buttered baking sheet and bake in a quick oven. When a trifle browned they are done.

Bertha's Biscuits.

Put half a pound of flour in a basin, make a hollow in the center and work in the whites of three eggs, half a teaspoonful of cream, an ounce of sugar, a wineglassful of brandy and a little salt. When the dough is quite smooth cut into two inch rounds, prick all over with a fork and bake on a floured baking sheet in a hot oven. Serve cold.

Beaten Cream Puffs.

To half a pint of water add a quarter of a pound of lard and a little salt and boil. Add a quarter of a pound of flour or a little more and stir over the fire for five minutes or until it becomes a smooth paste. Remove from the fire and mix in five eggs, one at a time. Drop small quantities of the mixture with a spoon on to slightly buttered baking tins, allowing an inch or so of distance between them. Put the sheet into a moderate oven and bake for twenty minutes. Open the puffs by making an incision in the side and fill with cream.

Corn Custard.

Half a dozen eggs, a cup of corn as young and milky as possible, two whole eggs and the yolk of another, a scant half teaspoonful of salt, one and a quarter cupfuls of milk and one and a half tablespoonfuls of sugar. After mixing thoroughly stir in the milk and mix the custard in cups or in a big earthen pudding dish, as preferred.

Hasty Bread.

Half a dozen delicious little loaves of bread may be made in a few minutes by any one who has half a pound of flour, a cupful of milk, a pinch of salt, a sauceman, a fork and a very hot oven. Place the flour and salt in the sauceman, take the fork in the right hand, and with the left pour in the milk gradually, stirring all the time, until you have a nice light dry lump of dough. Knead gently with the hands and divide into six pieces, which may be shaped according to fancy, but much handling is not advisable. Dredge a shelf in the oven with flour, place the loaves on it and bake from twelve to fifteen minutes. If the flour is not self raising a good half teaspoonful of baking powder must invariably be used.

Beverly Fish Salad.

The hearts of white lettuce, slices of marinated cucumber, endive, blanched and curled anchovies, stoned olives and pickled beetroot. Make a square block of the hearts of the lettuce and endive, arrange slices of marinated cucumber around the lettuce. Upon these place blanched, boned and curled anchovies. Into each anchovy lay a stoned olive. Screen the whole with square shaped pieces of beetroot and season with sugar, salt and a dash of pepper. This is better eaten with oil and vinegar than with mayonnaise sauce. Half lemons may be served with the salad.

Lebster and Shrimp Salad.

Arrange in a salad bowl the white leaves of the hearts of cabbage lettuce or coe lettuce, if small and young. Remove the meat from a freshly boiled lobster and divide into small pieces with two forks and place in little heaps upon the lettuce leaves. Between each heap lay slices of tomato and slices of beet root alternately, and upon these slices of hard boiled eggs. Make a mound in the center with a pint of freshly picked shrimps. Crown these with small green tufts of watercress. Send to table with small glass cups of mayonnaise.

When Potatoes Scorch.

If the water boils off potatoes and they become scorched, quickly set the agate or tin kettle in which they are cooked into another kettle of cold water. The potatoes will loosen from the bottom of the kettle and will not taste scorched.

Baked Cauliflower.

Mix cold cauliflower with rich cream or rather a thick white sauce, if you can't spare the cream; add salt and pepper to taste, pack into a dish, cover thickly with grated cheese and bake.

For the Children

Prince Knud of Denmark Belongs to Boy Scouts.



The King of Denmark's two sons, Crown Prince Frederick, fourteen years of age, and Prince Knud, thirteen, have been sleeping under canvas as boy scouts. The camp, which was established near Copenhagen, was international in character. 3,000 boys from several European countries having gathered for a boy scout demonstration.

When the king and queen visited the camp, and reached the hut where the princes were the queen's motherly eyes observed that little Prince Knud had dirty hands, for which she gave him a royal scolding. Some of the other boys interceded, saying: "Don't be cross with little Knud. He's all right, although he is a poor washer up. You had better teach him when he gets home."

The king could not help smiling and promised the boys that the matter should be attended to.

The two princes have had private tutors, but after vacation they will go to a high school. When Prince Knud's picture was taken he didn't have his boy scout uniform on.

The Curate.

A curate and vicar are chosen and as many trades or professions as there are players and when the curate has said to the one he wishes to attack, "I come from your house, Mr. Optician or Mrs. Milliner (or any other trade person he chooses), but I did not find you in. Where were you?"

The person asked replies: "I was at (whom ever she pleases to say - hair-dresser, tailor, jeweler, etc., provided the business has been taken). The person mentioned asks: "What were you doing there?" And the one questioned must answer something suited to the trade mentioned.

For instance: If he has been to the bookseller's, he says he was buying books. If to the grocer's, buying sugar or starch. The bookseller says he was at the binder's, who demands: "What were you doing there?" "Getting a book bound."

A forfeit must be given when something is said not suited to the trade mentioned. They may also say they have been to the curate's, and when he asks: "What were you doing there?" is answered: "Getting married," or anything relating to his ministerial duties, and he must make a proper reply.

Music.

One of the players is sent out of the room, and the rest of them agree upon some simple task for him to perform, such as moving a chair, touching an ornament or finding some hidden object. He is then called in, and some one begins to play the piano. If the performer plays loudly the "seeker" knows that he is nowhere near the object he is in search for. When the music is soft, then he knows he is near, and when the music ceases altogether he knows that he has found the object he was intended to look for.

About Glassmaking.

Glassmaking was at one time the most aristocratic of all industries. A French law passed under Louis IX. allowed none but men of noble birth to set up glassblowing establishments, or even to work therein. For many centuries this was the only trade noble men could venture to work in without any danger of losing caste. The art of glassmaking reached this country through France, and in its early days in England those engaged in it styled themselves "gentlemen glassblowers."

In Vacation Time.

Sometimes in my vacation days, Before it is September, I peep into my books to see How much I can remember. To me it is astonishing How I've forgotten everything. The maps are full of foreign lands; The copybooks seem crazy; The grammar's Greek no tongue can speak; The history is hazy. It even seems absurd to me That all these verses are sixty-three. The holidays do surely change Our things from what they were And make familiar people strange. Why, now, if Christopher Columbus met me at the door I'd hardly know him any more! - Youth's Companion.

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