

FOR HOME RULE.

Widow of Skeffington, Executed Irish Editor, Is in America.

HERE WITH HER SON, OWEN

Plans to Write and Lecture in This Country With the Hope of Interesting Us in the Future Freedom of Ireland Is an Intellectual Type.

Mrs. F. Skeffington, widow of the Irish editor who was executed in Dublin on April 25 after the uprising headed by Sir Roger Casement...



Photo by American Press Association. MRS. F. SKEFFINGTON.

came to the United States and tell the people about my husband's murder, for that is what it amounted to. I don't know how long I will remain. That will depend upon how my work progresses...

WASHING FLANNELS.

Easy Way to Cleanse Sweaters and "Unders" Without Shriveling Them. For flannels make a lukewarm sud...

For Baby's Grib.

Baby's crib is made up with as much care as to details as is given to the bed of the elders. Day'slips with the envelope flap are used on the diminutive pillow...

Cranberry Tart.

Line the bottom and sides of small tart or cake tins with a good pie crust and bake in a hot oven for seven to ten minutes...

She Forgot Her Wedding

By ELINOR MARSH

There are many ups and downs in the world. Estelle Ellison was a sufferer by one of the downs when she was barely twenty years old.

Walter Treadwell, a young man who was working his way through college by means of various expedients, had long been a youthful admirer of Estelle...

Estelle at once set about considering what she might do to earn money. At that time the kuetoscope had been recently invented, and the picture had taken part in private theatricals...

There was a temptation for Estelle to do violence to her heart for the purpose of relieving the strain. She held out till the condition of the family became unbearable, then consented.

Preparations were made for the wedding. On the appointed day Mr. Atwood, who was to meet his bride at the church, went there to be married.

The groom expectant left the church. He knew that Estelle was to sacrifice herself to save her mother and her brother and sister from want...

On the morning of the intended wedding the postman had left a letter for Estelle from the manager of the film company which had taken her address.

The company was assembled and Estelle was given the scenario of her part, which she committed to memory scene by scene.

To appear at the church dressed as she was was unthinkable, and it would require half an hour to get there.

That evening when her mother was putting the children to bed Estelle stole into the house and told what she had done.

Estelle took another name, as now one of the movie stars who command large salaries. But it is said that she will soon leave the profession to marry a young lawyer who worked his way through college.

General Lyautey, New War Minister of France

The recent reconstruction of the French cabinet brought to the War Ministry General Hubert Lyautey, who since 1912 had been French resident general of Morocco.



GENERAL HUBERT LYAUTEY.

rebellion and made that turbulent province the most valuable of France's colonial possessions. He has sent many regiments of native troops to the firing line in Europe...

Hens Need Green Feeds to Stimulate Egg Production

Beginners in poultry keeping often wonder why some hens lay steadily when eggs are worth but 10 cents a dozen and lay only an occasional egg...

I have found that the time of year that the hens lay best is in the spring, when there is plenty of green feed and an abundance of exercise.

Mother's Doll Story

The Lost Mittens

Right after Christmas a little boy whose name was Charlie went out to play in the dooryard.

He took with him a pair of lovely red mittens that Santa Claus had given him and his pet rag doll, a nice kangaroo.

"If looks like a fish, but it may be a broken stick," said the kangaroo, who was quite wise for a doll.

"If it weren't for these red mittens I could find out," said Charlie, throwing his mittens on the ground and reaching into the cold, cold water.

Just then a little breeze began to play in the dooryard too. It caught up Charlie's red mittens and blew them right into the water, just as if they had been red autumn leaves.

"I'll get them out," said the kangaroo doll. And he stepped up to the edge of the water, ran his long neck right down into it and brought up between his teeth a pair of sopping wet red mittens that Santa Claus had once brought a little boy.

The Boy Scout Oath. On my honor I will do my best—First—To do my duty to God and my country and to obey the scout law.

Carrying Baby. When Baby Charlie comes along we have to stop and wait, and if we do not carry him we always are too late.

WHY Your Tires Blow Out When You Spin

ASK a tiremaker why tires break down and he will promptly answer "underinflation" or "overloading," which is the same thing. A highly inflated tire is almost as hard as solid rubber.

Increases. Since most of us ride for the joy of it we are inclined to pump air into our tires too sparingly. The car bows along easily, the tire absorbs all the shocks.

ONE TROUBLESOME PEST.

How to Get Rid of the Ants That Over-run Your Edibles.

How often the frantic housekeeper sits down and weeps when she discovers a perfectly fresh jar of preserves swarming with ants or a box of sugar blanketed with the pests!

Why Distilled Water Is Not Healthful if Used Steadily. Distilled water, which is the nearest approach to absolutely pure water, is not desirable for constant use...

How to Clean Ivory Ornaments When Yellow or Dusky.

When ivory ornaments become yellow or dusky wash them well in soap and water with a small brush to clean the carvings and then place them while wet in the sunshine.

How to Keep Flowers So They Will Travel Far.

To keep flowers fresh exclude them from air. To do this wet them thoroughly, put in a damp box and cover with wet cotton or newspaper, then place in a cool spot.

How to Bleach Clothes That Have Become Yellowed by Age.

When any white fabric becomes yellowed in water that has been bleached and to which the juice of a lemon has been added.

Homely Wrinkles

After boiling salt beef leave two or three carrots in the liquor until cold. The carrots will absorb the salt, and the liquor can be used for soup.

To remove stains from puring rub the hands with the inside of apple or pear parings before using soap.

To clean water bottles put a tablespoonful of tea leaves and one of vinegar into the bottle and then fill with water. Shake, then let stand a little, after which rinse in clear water.

Put the children to bed early. The pathetic, tired, dull-eyed little children we sometimes see falling over the drafty floor in exhaustion should not be.

Limit the amount of meat for children if they are irritable, fretful and nervous. Give none at all after the noon hour if they wake up during the night.

To make a tough steak tender rub both sides with vinegar and olive oil and allow it to stand two hours before cooking.

The test for beating eggs for a sponge cake is to beat them until they are so dry the dish can be turned upside down.

Pork tenderloins roasted in the oven are improved by a sprinkling of powdered sage with salt and pepper.

Lord Bryce's Message to American Farm Boys

One of the greatest men who has ever represented the English people in America is James Bryce, former ambassador and now Lord Bryce.

"I am glad to send a message to the farm boys of the United States. Here are the qualities I would emphasize as being essential to your success as men and farmers:

"As farmers, close and constant observation of the land and the crops, watching every change as it comes; close and constant reflection on everything observed, always asking, 'Why is this so?' and always persevering till an answer has been found.

"As men, truthfulness in word and act, which means courage also. You can't be truthful unless you are brave. Consideration for the other man's feelings, trying to understand his position, and his claims as well as your own. This means insight and patience, and it helps you to turn many bad corners."

Light as Chaff

The Stiffish One.

The young husband who had not found married life exactly a path of roses and who sincerely wished to improve to his wife the depth of his affection went home one evening and said cheerfully:

"Well, Tilda, you can't guess what I have done today." "I have done today?" "Made a fool of myself," replied Tilda ungraciously.

"That's as you look at it, dear one."

"Oh, John Henry," said the wife. "If you've done anything more than usually idiotic, out with it and have done with it. What under creation have you been up to now?"

"Tilda, dearest, I have insured my life." "Well," said the irate little woman, "I always knew you were mean. I insured your life, indeed! Ah, always looking out for yourself first!"

Not Guilty. A young lawyer not noted for intelligence succeeded in getting a client acquitted of murder. Meeting a friend a few days afterward, the lawyer was greeted with warm congratulations.

"Yes," he said, mopping his brow. "I got him off, but it was a narrow escape."

"A narrow escape! How?" "Ah, the tightest squeeze you ever saw. You know I examined the witnesses and made the arguments myself, the plea being self defense. The jury was out two whole days. Finally the judge asked what the trouble was."

"Only one thing, your honor, replied the foreman. 'Was the prisoner's counsel retained by him or appointed by the court?'"

"No, gentlemen; the prisoner is a man of means," said the judge, "and engaged his own counsel."

"I could not see what bearing the question had on the evidence," continued the lawyer, "but ten minutes later in filed the jury, and what do you think the verdict was?"

"What?" asked his friend. "Why, not guilty, on the ground of insanity."

WHY WOMEN TALK LONGER THAN MEN.

MEN.—A woman can talk longer than a man because she uses less force in speaking than the man does. A German professor has proved by actual and very delicate measurements that the baritone singer uses far more energy than the tenor and that the bass singer uses more force than either.

The range of voices differs greatly, so the percentage varies to the same extent, but as a result it was proved that the tenor uses only from one-seventh to one-sixteenth of the lung power of the baritone or bass.

The difference between the force used by the contralto and the soprano is also marked, and the contralto who sings in very deep tones uses at least ten times the force of the trilling soprano.

The explanation is so simple that it is surprising that no investigation has not been made long ago. It has long been known that the tenor or soprano brings the vocal chords close together and keeps the edges only vibrating by the emission of air. The bass or contralto leaves the space between the chords wider open and has to vibrate very much more of the membranes, so that a considerably larger amount of air is required and much more force is expended.

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GROWING BULBS IN ROOMS.

Why the Markets Are Well Stocked at Reasonable Prices.

Lovers of flowers who live in flats, apartments or in houses where there are no yards for bulb planting can have their plants in their rooms. The wizards of the flower world have discovered that the rarest bulbs as well as the common ones grow their best in prepared fiber. This is fertilized and is cheap. Bulbs can be planted in this fiber in vases and bowls. The fiber is dampened from time to time, and nature does the rest.

In the last twenty-five years bulbs have never been as cheap as they now are, nor has the American market been supplied with a better quality than can be bought this season.

Holland, the greatest bulb producing country in the world, is a neutral nation, but the countries engaged in war have no time to think of flowers. In years of peace England, France and Germany were great patrons of the bulb market. They had the first choice of the select bulbs. Today these markets virtually are closed. The Holland bulb growers look to this country to buy their output and for this reason are offering the choicest bulbs at prices so cheap that bulb planting is placed in easy reach of nearly every person.

It is to the thoughtful lover of flowers that the present cheapness of bulbs will appeal. Once planted in the open air the bulbs will bloom patiently for years and years. They never die naturally and will yield their fragrant harvest each spring.

Why Water Gurgles When Poured From a Bottle. Water or any other liquid cannot flow from a bottle in a steady stream because until the bottle is empty there is a continuous struggle between the tendency of the liquid to fall from the bottle and the rushing of the air to get in. When a full bottle without a cork is turned upside down there will be an alternate realization of two operations—the liquid to follow the attraction of gravitation and the air to obey its natural impulse to fill a void.

Why Thunder Follows Lightning Instead of Vice Versa.

When electricity is confined between two clouds and becomes cramped for room it "flashes" and we hear the "thunder." The heat generated by the electricity really causes violent convulsions of the air—the noise of which is thunder. As light waves move more rapidly than sound waves we see the "flash" before we hear the reverberation. That also applies to gunfire.

How to Make Javelle Water For White Fabrics Only.

A pound of washing soda, a quart of boiling water, half a pound of chloride of lime and two quarts of cold water.

Dissolve soda in boiling water. Mix the lime in cold water. Let this mixture settle and pour the clear lime water into the dissolved soda water. Bottle and keep in a dark place.

How Stovepipes May Be Easily Cut in Short Lengths.

Some people are greatly puzzled how to cut stovepipe when it is necessary to have short lengths, says a writer in Farm and Fireside. I just punch a small hole in the pipe and use a can opener for all but the seam, which can be bent back and forth till it breaks or can be cut with a small chisel.