

Irish. Her father was a member of the Society of Friends, and in this subdued atmosphere she lived for 21 years. Her personal appearance was most attractive. She had her limitations, for her education was gauged by the limitations of a century ago.

"One trait which caused her to develop into the charming social leader was her adaptability. She had excellent judgment, too. Another large factor in her success was her genuineness. She was loyal to her friends, she was loyal to her country, but, best of all, she was loyal to her husband. I know of no more fitting way in which to end this toast than by quoting a toast which was once used in connection with her life: 'My husband; may he ever be right, but right or wrong, my husband.'"

"I will speak only in a general way of the women of the White house," said Mrs. Mack, who followed Mrs. Bryan. "Martha Washington never occupied the White house, although the home of our presidents derived its name from the stately colonial white mansion near Williamsburg, Va., where she married George Washington. Abigail Adams was the first lady of the White house, although she resided there only four months. Martha Jefferson died nineteen years before the author of the Declaration of Independence became president.

"The history of the women of the White house does not really begin until the advent of Dorothy Payne Todd Madison. Her brilliant reign will long remain the standard presidential hospitality and social grandeur."

Mrs. Mack then discussed Mrs. Eliza Monroe, Mrs. Catherine Adams, Mrs. Rachel Jackson, Mrs. Hannah Van Buren, Mrs. Anna S. Harrison, Mrs. Tyler, Mrs. Polk, Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Fillmore, Mrs. Pierce, Mrs. Harriet Lane, President Buchanan's niece; Mrs. Lincoln, and the others down to President Cleveland, and continued:

"Frances Folsom Cleveland served to make the social aspect of both the Cleveland administrations comparable only to the days of Dolly Madison. Incurable illness could not conceal the sweetness and purity of Mrs. William McKinley.

"Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt and Mrs. William Howard Taft are too well known for me to dwell upon their characters."

Mrs. Rainey spoke in place of Mrs. William Randolph Hearst, who was unable to attend.

"In the economic life of the nation," she said, "women are as important as men. They are important because they have the right to think. If they have the right to think they have the right to consider matters pertaining to the levying of taxes and other affairs of government. If they have the right to think along these lines they at least have the right to discuss public questions and to influence as much as they can the economic events of the period in which they live.

"Great national problems are advanced and decided long before the votes are cast, and in the advancement of ideals prior to election day we can all agree that women are entitled to participate, and upon this platform we can all stand."

Mrs. Martin Littleton declared: "Thomas Jefferson said 'all governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed,' and in this simple sentence he set forth in striking fashion the very essence of political liberty. This single utterance fell upon the ears of the old world as a forerunner of world-wide political liberty.

"Mr. Jefferson pulled apart the state and church in Virginia, and

established religious liberty, and Mr. Jefferson established the University of Virginia. The right to vote is of no use to any one or to the country unless there goes with it a real desire to vote right and sense enough to know what is right. It seems to me that the three great achievements of Mr. Jefferson's life furnish a suggestion to the women of today as to how they can most effectively and helpfully employ their time and talents."

WOMEN AND DEMOCRACY

Our heartiest felicitations to the women who organized and carried to a most successful conclusion the democratic harmony breakfast. It was a task of no small dimensions to arrange the details of the gathering, and yet the affair lacked nothing in perfection of arrangement. The guest list, the selection of speakers, the seats at the tables, and all the other important factors were skillfully handled.

It is noteworthy that no attempt was made to introduce the question of woman suffrage. These democratic women, who, if they share the views of their husbands, as they undoubtedly do, represented every phase of democratic thought, were evidently unanimous in the opinion that their breakfast was neither the time nor the occasion for emphasizing their own right to wield the ballot. They were content to eulogize the many virtues of Dolly Madison, in whose day female suffrage was a thing unheard of, and to point out the way to democratic success in the future. Being the wives and daughters of statesmen, they were quite willing to leave to the male members of their families the duty and responsibility of government.

And yet, though they can not vote, these women have aided their political party in more ways than one. They have demonstrated that democratic women, unlike democratic men, can get together in harmony and successfully conduct an affair of some magnitude without friction. It would be well if the democratic leaders would sit at the feet of these women and learn diplomacy, tact, and good management. If the Baltimore convention can be conducted along the same lines as the Washington breakfast, the democracy will go forth harmonious, encouraged, and happy.

Even if the women can not vote, why not let them manage the Baltimore convention? They have earned the right to seats among the mighty. —Washington (D. C.) Herald.

IN LINE

"What makes you think the baby is going to be a great politician?" asked the young mother, anxiously. "I'll tell you," answered the young father, confidently; "he can say more things that sound well and mean nothing at all than any kid I ever saw." —Cleveland Plain Dealer.

A TRIUMPH

Agnes—"Was Emily's operation a success?" Gladys—"Glorious! She got fifteen presents, a hundred dozen roses, and had two hundred calls of inquiry." —Life.

CRUELTY TO A POET

Poet—"I called to see if you had an opening for me." Editor—"Yes, there's one right behind you, shut it as you go out, please." —Satire.

A GOOD POINT

Before you sympathize with the under dog, make sure that he didn't start the scrap. —Puck.

Washington News

An Associated Press dispatch says: Absolutely debarring mere man, 400 statesmen's wives, several of them spouses to democratic presidential aspirants, gathered at breakfast to celebrate the memory of Mrs. Dolly Madison.

Mrs. Champ Clark, wife of the speaker, was the toastmistress and around the table sat such guests as Mrs. Judson Harmon, Mrs. W. J. Bryan, Mrs. W. R. Hearst, Mrs. Thomas Edison, Mrs. Alton B. Parker, Mrs. Thomas Marshall, Mrs. A. S. Burleson and Mrs. Oscar Underwood.

Present-day politics and woman suffrage were tabooed. Mrs. Bryan spoke on "Dolly Madison;" Mrs. Harmon on "Women of the Cabinet;" Mrs. Martin W. Littleton, "Thomas Jefferson;" Mrs. Hearst, "The Press, Be Just and Fear Not," and Mrs. Burleson, "Mrs. James Madison."

Mrs. Anna Hitzer of Colorado, a delegate to the Baltimore convention, got the biggest reception of any of the speakers.

Officials of coal companies affiliated with railroads testified before the house judiciary committee investigating the charges against Judge Robert Archbald, of the commerce court, relating to alleged interviews the jurist had obtained with them about coal deals.

Reports are being circulated in Washington that a determined effort is to be made to postpone the vote on the Lorimer case until the next session of congress.

Senator Bradley and a number of interested southern congressmen will meet to discuss the omission of southern war claims from the omnibus bill.

Senator Stone, of Missouri, discussed in the senate the campaign between President Taft and former President Roosevelt, alleging that its bitterness constituted a "black chapter in American history."

By a vote of 100 to 90 the house registered its disapproval of the imposition of tolls on American vessels engaged in coastwise trade which use the Panama canal.

The Washington correspondent for the New York Herald says: The Works resolution for a six-year single term for the president of the United States after having been in the hands of the judiciary committee for several weeks finally reached the senate with a favorable report.

Senator Cummins, of Iowa, who was delegated to report the amendment in the form put in without comment Mr. Roosevelt's contemptuous reference to the proposed change as a "tomfool proposition." No explanation or argument of any kind was made. Senator Cummins, who is a candidate for the presidency, personally favors the amendment, although several other progressive republican senators are opposed to it on the ground that it is a slap at Mr. Roosevelt.

"I do not see how it can be charged that this is aimed at Mr. Roosevelt any more than at Mr. Taft," said Senator Cummins in discussing the matter informally. The amendment would apply to any man who has held the office of president for one term, or even a part of a term, and make him ineligible for reelection. It proposes to remove

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