

For and About Women Folks

Chebren and Grover Cleveland. CLUB women throughout the country are preparing to prove that former President Grover Cleveland was talking through his teeth when he declared in print that club life tended to destroy the maternal instinct.

The national leaders in the club movement are especially angry because, as they understood it, Cleveland intimated that the native born population of the country was not likely to show any great increase, due to the club spirit.

Circulars setting forth in detail the scope of the investigation, which were sent out from the General Federation's headquarters, have reached the club presidents in Chicago, who are now compiling the data.

In connection with the movement to refute the race suicide charges that have been made, a general line of investigation is being pursued, covering practically every phase of work now being followed by the club women.

Noted Woman Orator. Mrs. William Nathan of New York City has achieved a reputation as an after-dinner orator, rivaling the best efforts of man in that section.

Mrs. Nathan has addressed three national meetings of the Federation of Consumers' League, in Los Angeles, Milwaukee and St. Louis.

Newest Fad in Gems. In gems, as in everything else, there are fads, says Leslie's Weekly, and the newest fad in precious stones is the tourmaline.

Mrs. Nathan never misses a chance to speak about this hobby of hers, either before or after dinner, and she has her recipe for a good speech, from her own lips: "I can't speak in platitudes. I can't discuss a thing which everybody approves—some trite subject like 'Peace,' for example.

At a recent banquet of both sexes Mrs. Nathan spoke gracefully, naturally, eloquently, forcibly. One moment she was telling a funny story; the next she was gently grilling the men for their pompous assumption of superiority over her own sex.

"Heretofore, gentlemen," she said, with gentle irony, "we have been permitted in the galleries of your banquet halls to listen while men orators flattered the women and glorified themselves. But you will observe that tonight we are dining with you."

"Don't stop!" cried the banqueters. "More, more!" "Well," said Mrs. Nathan, with a most captivating smile, "I haven't made half as good a speech as I am capable of, because the speech is extemporaneous and I'm ill at ease for want of a pair of trousers pockets to put my hands in."

This made everybody laugh till they almost cried. Another speaker doubled over with merriment and whispered to Mrs. Nathan, "I'm going to have my trousers pockets sewed up the next time I want to be in particularly good form."

Women Millionaires. One hears so much and so exclusively of male millionaires that one is apt to lose sight of the fact that men have no monopoly of million-making and that there are many women who are no less rivals to them in the art of amassing riches.

Quite recently Mrs. Herman Gelrich, who is said to be the smartest and shrewdest business woman in the world, has, so they say, been coining money at the rate of \$10,000,000 a year by clever speculation in railway shares, says an English exchange.

Mrs. Gelrich is a daughter of the late Senator Fair, from whom, no doubt, she has inherited her talent for making money. Only two years ago she revoked the power of attorney given to her husband and took the management of her affairs into her own hands.

Early Christmas Shopping. It would be interesting to know how many weary and disappointed people resolve on each recurring Christmas eve that next year they will do their Christmas shopping in time. It is conspicuously a case where the early bird catches the worm.

Another woman hustler is Mrs. Richard King, who for many a year has conducted a ranch seven times as large as the county of Middlesex as very few men living could conduct it. So extensive is Mrs. King's farm that it is bounded on one side by forty miles of barbed wire fence; it is an hour and a half's drive from Mrs. King's front door to her front gate and she employs an army of over 200 cowboys to tend her 300,000 cattle, and the ponies they employ number 1,200.

Mrs. King has a fair and formidable rival in Mrs. Nat Collins, known throughout America as the "cattle queen of Montana." Mrs. Collins has had a career of romance and adventure such as even she would not care to repeat.

From childhood she has lived her strenuous life on the plains and in the mountains of Montana; she has been kidnapped by Indians and kept a prisoner for months by them and she still bears an ugly scar as a memento of a too-well-aimed tomahawk.

It is generally agreed that at a tea of this sort there must be anywhere from six to sixteen assistants, friends of the debutante, most of whom have been out more than a few months. A last winter's debutante, they say, is in a eligible. With that rule in view the coming buds have carefully compared dates, planning their inaugural teas so that each may have the support of her nearest friends.

At a reception a few days ago the debutante was assisted by ten young women, all but two of whom received with her in the front drawing room. They were gowns of different colors, the debutante only wearing white.

The most approved gown for the debutante just now is made of a diaphanous fabric draped over silk or satin, Brussels net, chiffon, point lace, or almost any sort of fine lace—and often embellished with a delicate train of silver, never of gold. Where expense has to be considered, liberty satin, novelty silk and chiffon velvet are tried. They cost much less than the other materials mentioned and are more durable, if less captivating.

In any case the material must be white, trimmed with white or silver. An exception to this rule, however, was a Brussels net costume seen the other day on a debutante, the founces and bodice of which were embroidered with tiny pink roses.

The custom of sending flowers to a debutante is carried to greater proportions than ever this year. They come from the debutante's feminine friends as well as from her masculine admirers. And the man who gets an invitation to a debutante tea and fails to acknowledge it with a few cut flowers, at least, lays himself open to the imputation of being ignorant of what the polite conventions require on such occasions or of being dead broke with his credit at the florist's at the zero mark.

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The hour for this dinner, given of course by the debutante's mother, is 8 o'clock, which allows the receiving party a half hour's rest before the extra dinner guests arrive.

To Lighten Household Cares. In wall coverings for the kitchen and bathroom paper with an oil finish is now preferred to the familiar varnish. It looks better and withstands the effect of moisture as well.

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What Women Are Doing. Mrs. Caroline Elizabeth Merrick, the author and philanthropist, celebrated her eighteenth birthday Saturday, and was tendered a reception at the Era club, New Orleans, which represented members of every woman's club in that city were present.

Mrs. Ellen Foster, president of the Woman's National Republican association, writes from China that she has visited Wu Ting Fang, former Chinese minister, and says that he has never wavered in his affection for America.

The richest woman in Great Britain is Lady Mary Hamilton, whose twenty-first birthday occurs this day. She is the daughter of the late Duke of Hamilton.

Mrs. Frederick Schoff, the well known philanthropist, answered at a meeting of the Daughters of the Revolution, made a success of it she gave up her position and rented an office where she conducted the adaptation, except of it to turn the wisest of her head for the rest of her life.

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