

WOMAN'S PAGE

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WOMEN'S CLUBS

Speaking educationally, women have ages long eaten the crumbs which fell from the master's table. It is only in the last generation that they have been admitted to the high schools and colleges with their brothers. Were it not that both sexes inherit brain power from educated fathers and imbibe the same intellectual atmosphere from cultured homes, woman would still be in the dark ages mentally.

Perhaps her very privacy has made her all the more keen. High schools, lectures, and public libraries are now attended by larger numbers of women than men, and the one distinctly learned profession—school teaching—is almost monopolized by the gentler sex. Colleges still graduate more males than females, but the ratio is rapidly changing.

Aside from these means of education, women have organized for themselves another—the Women's Club. The first one was organized by Anne Hutchinson in 1638, but it is only about fifty years ago that the movement became general. Now the Women's Club compares with the school and the church influence and activities and there is scarcely a four-corners but has one.

"Self-culture" was the motive of the early clubs. Women organized to spur one another on to study. At first they were very timid about it. They were terribly afraid of being thought "manish" and it was not unheard-of for a member to faint "in a lady-like way" when she arose to read her "paper," in union there is strength, and by forming committees and doing things conjointly, courage developed.

Women's Club study was not "in-growing." Women began to learn things about the world, to awaken to the same interests that were stirring their husbands and brothers. Then began the period of investigations—and it is still going on. Women wanted to know the conditions which met their children in the world, and knowing—to better them.

Women's uppermost function has always been mothering. As she has grown less animal and more spiritual she has considered her own child, bone of her bone and flesh of her flesh, less a candidate for her exclusive attentions. So long as her child was warm and fed, it was a matter of small concern to the cave mother if another child were cold and hungry. Civilization emphasizes the soul and makes motherhood the privilege and responsibility of all women—not merely of those who are physical mothers. In fact the highest type of mothering is often found among those who have never been honored with motherhood.

The mothering instinct of woman-kind soon changed the motive of the women's club from self-culture to social service—the motive of the women's clubs today. To serve wisely one must learn the facts, must give these to the public

to arouse public conscience and public opinion. As the cry of the children went up, these motherly organizations, in committees, visited shops, tenements, schools, hospitals, prisons, and courts; and laid bare evils of which the public was ignorant or to which they were hardened.

The women's club movement has made a strong appeal. In the United States alone more than fifty national organizations, embracing more than nine million members, are either devoted to some special form of welfare work, or, like the general federation of Women's Clubs, are reaching out in many lines through various departments. Now that they can vote, will they crystallize these betterment activities into law? It would seem that the millennium must soon be ushered in!

MANGOES

Mangoes, or sweet peppers, are commonly despised as food, but they deserve better regard. They contain valuable phosphorus, calcium and iron; and, as a flavor, surpass all vegetables except the onion. There is almost no food with which they may not be combined to its immense improvement.

In mixed pickles, mangoes have long been used. Stuffed mangoes flourish in rural districts where there are gardens. These are made by taking out the seeds, soaking in salt water over night, and stuffing with chopped cabbage which has been seasoned with salt, pepper, sugar and celery seed. They are then packed in a stone jar, covered with hot, sweetened vinegar and allowed to stand until used. They may be made more fancy by adding raisins, horse-radish, nasturtium seed, a little tumeric, olive oil, grated nutmeg, chopped cucumbers, or any other vegetable which may be pickled.

Stuffed, baked mangoes are delicious. After the center is removed, the mango is filled with a bread dressing such as is put in chicken, or with any coquette preparation or highly seasoned meat. Plain mangoes may be baked and seasoned with olive oil and vinegar, or a white sauce may be added.

Chopped mangoes combine well with sliced tomatoes, any kind of salad, soups, escalloped dishes, meat loaf, baked beans, boiled rice, cottage cheese, macaroni, meat cold or hot, gravies or sandwiches. A dish of chopped mangoes may be set on the table to be eaten with potatoes or with bread and butter.

A Fowl Question

"Did wife say to buy a casserole, Or did she say a casserole? Let me think for just one minute!" "I'll help you buy." Was the clerk's reply. "What kind of a chicken will go in it?"

Happy Thought

Liking what you do is more fun than doing what you like.

OPEN DOORS IN BUSINESS AGRICULTURE

Just now farming is not as profitable as it has been, but the condition is probably only temporarily. Farmers are gradually coming to apply science to practical knowledge; to keep books and know which are their most profitable crops; to specialize on some crops fitted to their soil or climatic conditions, or in demand in their market; and to improve market conditions. As these new moves progress farming will become more a paying business. It is a business which always has been and must continue and to be permanent must be profitable.

The life of the farmer is an independent, out-door life. It permits of mental and spiritual enjoyment denied one who must live in congested surroundings. For calmness and poise, is the ideal life, and is healthful if one does not overwork nor strain at too heavy work.

There are a number of difficulties which confront the farmer: His prosperity depends much on the season, whether it is early or late, dry or wet, hot or cold. Labor and market conditions, supply and demand, nearness to market, and transportation facilities, all have an influence on what his income will be.

These difficulties face the man and woman alike, but the woman farmer has a few extra ones of her own. For instance, she may find it difficult to keep help as many farm helpers think it beneath their dignity to work for a woman. Most owners of farms would not wish to employ a woman farm manager if they can get a man. There is much heavy work which is too difficult for a woman and this must be managed somehow when one cannot get outside help.

There are favorable things to be said of farming for women and many of them are succeeding well at it, but no woman should go into it without considering all sides of the question.

If a woman is acquainted with farm life, either being brought up on a farm or has studied in an agricultural college and worked on a farm, and is able to keep happy without a great deal of social and cultural stimulant, other than the books and reading she may bring to her fireside, is healthy and able to work hard and loves the active out-door life and the plants and animals on the farm, there is the chance that she may make a good living on the farm and enjoy a life of the greatest freedom.

Even the farm girl should add a course at an agricultural school to her knowledge and should study the bulletins and farm papers and keep alive to up-to-date methods. As farm machinery relieves the heaviest part of farm labor, women will be more and more able to become farmers. It is better for the woman farmer to specialize on some one or more crops and not tackle large, diversified farming.

WICKED OLD BUFFALO EXECUTED BY OWNER

Cheyenne, Wyoming.—Gerónimo, the wickedest old buffalo bull that ever lowered his shaggy head, is dead. Gerónimo was owned by Chas. Irwin, of the Y-6 ranch.

But Gerónimo's meanness increased with age. Wire fences meant nothing to him, and the buffalo became a common sight on many of the ranches. Naturally ranchmen cursed Gerónimo's existence, as their cattle escaped through the gaps in the fences. Reports of badly gored cattle came to Irwin, and one morning a particularly fine bull was also found disemboweled. A few hours later, Gerónimo appeared at his wallow, his head matted with blood.

And so, on circumstantial evidence, the big buffalo was executed by Irwin. His head, with its wickedly gleaming eyes hangs on the wall of the living room of the Y-6 ranch house. His hide makes a beautiful rug.

"And his spirit," reads the sign-board above his grave, erected by cowboys on the Y-6, "is to be found among the phantom herds of Paradise, where Gerónimo, the bluish incarnation of the devil himself, has ceased his roaming and fence-walking and treacherous charges, to find happiness in the society of his kind."

RUN DOWN

"Doctor, I'm sure getting all the exercise I need."

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They were seated beneath a tree in the park and the moon was shining to make one's thoughts turn to love.

Presently the girl said, "Oh, James dear, I can't understand why you lavish your affections on me above all the other girls in the world. Do tell me why it is?"

"Blowed if I know, Jenny," he replied, "and all my pals say they're blowed if they can make it out, either."—London Telegraph.

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON, FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY.
To Whom It May Concern: The undersigned hereby gives notice of her intention to apply to the Court above named on Saturday, the 19th day of November, 1921, at the hour of 1 o'clock P. M., of said day, at St. Helens, Columbia County, Oregon, for an order allowing her to resign her trust as administratrix with Will annexed of said estate.
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CRANBERRY SAUCE—One quart of cranberries, two cups of boiling water, 1 1/2 to 2 cups of sugar. Boil the sugar and water together for five minutes; skim; add the berries and cook, without stirring (five minutes is usually sufficient) until all the skins are broken.

CRANBERRY PIE—Have ready a partly baked pastry shell and pour in sauce when cold, made by the above recipe. Put strips of pastry over the top, and finish baking in a moderate oven.

CRANBERRY JELLY—Cook until soft the desired quantity of cranberries with 1 1/2 pints of water for each two quarts of berries. Strain the juice through a jelly bag.

Measure the juice and heat it to the boiling point. Add one cup of sugar for every two cups of juice; stir until the sugar is dissolved; boil briskly for five minutes; skim, and pour into glasses, porcelain or crockery molds. Eight pounds of cranberries and 2 1/3 lbs. of sugar make ten tumblers of beautiful jelly. Always cook cranberries in porcelain-lined, enameled or aluminum utensils.

THE JONAH

"Now, children," said the Sunday school teacher, "I have told you the story of Jonah and the whale. Willie, you may tell me what this story teaches."

"Yes'm," said Willie, the bright-eyed son of the pastor; "it teaches that you can't keep a good man down."—Houston Post.

Any failure knows that an honest man can't succeed, and by the same reasoning knows that any man who has succeeded must be dishonest.

School Attendance in Oregon

According to the census of 1920 there are 99,562 children 7 to 13 years of age in the state of Oregon and of this number 94,312, or 94.7 per cent were reported as attending school. In 1910 the percentage attending school was 90.3, thus indicating an improvement as regards school attendance between 1910 and 1920. Of the children 14 and 15 years of age in 1920, 90.6 per cent were attending school and of those 16 and 17 years of age 89.7 per cent.

The percentage of children attending schools was higher in the cities than in the country districts, the percentage for children in the urban population 7 to 13 years of age being 96.1 while in the rural population it was 93.7. "Urban" according to the census definition includes all towns or cities and other incorporated places of 2,500 or more population.

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