

FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN

Should Eliminate Drudgery.

Especially is the woman of to-day changing in the scope of her mental development, states Judge Willard McEwen, of Chicago. She has a much better understanding of what is going on in the world and her interest is more vital in the things outside her own particular sphere than it formerly was. Woman is waking up to a desire for individuality, which is just as natural an impulse as the desire for immortality. It is in a consciousness of individuality that people get their real happiness.

Under past conditions man has been the individual and woman an impressionable creature, whose religion, training and sex instincts made her satisfied with children, and home, and working for a man, who is most of the time a false ideal.

She is modifying that condition. In my judgment the real question of woman's independence as a factor in the partnership is a question of sex. Taxation without representation, improvement in government through woman's participation are idle arguments so far as being of any effect is concerned. Woman has been long in a condition of subservience and is coming to realize it. Man might as well recognize this and figure that it is going to cost him something that he ought to pay. An economic question must be considered with reference to present conditions. If tested by the days of our grandfathers, woman's present attitude and manner of looking at life is to be deplored, but tested by our times woman's situation and change in her relationship to man have injected a new element into the conditions which should be charged up to the account as legitimate expense. The drudgery in a woman's life should be eliminated as far as is consistent with the family purse. It is not incumbent on a woman to get tired out and overheated baking bread when a few nickels invested at the corner bak-

er for the woman motorist. Neither sex needs extraordinary muscular development in automobiling, and also any woman not an invalid can master its mysteries quite as well as a man, provided she has the will and the patience to acquire the know-how. Certainly in the sphere of patience woman by nature is equipped to give man a long handicap. The woman motorist is not half so likely as man is to swear and call loudly for a tow when anything goes wrong with the car. She will more probably set quietly to work to find the trouble and remedy it quite as thoroughly as if she were cleaning out the kitchen range.

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A World Upside Down.

Another announcement was lately made of the perennial discovery that women are alike the world over—that gentle birth, training, environment do not of themselves create a new feminine type. The fact is as old as the race. The beggar maid, we have been assured for generations, proved an excellent queen for King Cophtua. Maud Muller would have quickly learned to adorn the station to which the judge might have called her.

So the recent scheme of so-called "social leader" had not even the excuse of being a novel demonstration. Madam took two girls from ordinary boarding houses to her house, dressed them in her clothes, loaded them with her jewels, and introduced them to her millionaire friends. The next day she told the newspaper of her successful trick, exulted over the enthusiasm with which "society" had accepted her victims, and thus demonstrated that "wealth and false pride form the barriers between the classes."

The contriver of the scheme said to the reporters, "I once dressed up my cook in one of my gowns, and she mingled with my guests. Her figure was beautiful, and she made a stunning appearance. But she did not feel at her ease, and stayed only a short time. Back to the kitchen she went."

It is to be hoped that the girls in her latest experiment, nay, that the hostess herself, may show as good sense as did Mary, the cook. But the

task of the two young women is not an easy one. Will they go back to simplicity and industry and honesty and womanliness? Or will they plot to force their way, by hook or crook, in the not too genuine world of which they have caught a glimpse?—Youth's Companion.

They numbered four. They absolutely exuded prosperity. The things which they ordered were such as to fill with envy the breast of the man at the next table, engaged in consuming the most modest dish disclosed by the bill of fare.

The four were conversing—languid, plutocratic conversation. After a while it turned to the question of money. Evidently they wanted to do something. How much money had they? One of the four took out his pocketbook and counted up a roll of bills.

"Oh, I have a hundred and forty," he said, carelessly.

The second and third members of the party went through their pockets. "I have two hundred and fifteen," remarked one.

"And I have three hundred," said the other.

The fourth waved his hand—grandly.

"Nevd mlnd, you fellows," he said. "I'll lend you all you want."

Tenderly, waiters bore the man at the next table out into the cold air. He will recover.

No Place for Celestials.

George Richmond Hayes, the noted San Francisco ethnologist, said at a recent dinner:

"The yellow races are held in better esteem than used to be the case in the West. I once visited a very rough boom town in Oregon near Cottage Grove. In the leading saloon a man in a red shirt said to me:

"'Ye wanter carry yerself almighty straight in these parts, stranger. Go wrong the least mite and, by crinns, we'll lynch ye as quick as look at ye.'"

"I smiled a dog?"

"'Would you lynch me,' I asked, 'if I killed a dog?'"

"'Would we?' he snorted. 'Why, stranger, we've lynched fellers here for killin' Chinamen!'"

Probably for the Trust.

"Hello, old chap! I haven't seen you for a year. Where have you been?"

"Down in South America."

"South America? What have you been doing there?"

"O—er—just rubbering around."

Chicago Tribune.

Uncle Allen.

"An optimist," said Uncle Allen Sparks, is (slap) a man who believes the mosquito (slap) was created for some lofty and (slap) beneficent purpose."

Explained at Last.

Women are better than men, because they do not have women to tempt them.—Smart Set

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