



British Premier's Tactless Wife.

Dramatic Story of Mrs. Asquith's Over- -Whelming Loss of Prestige in British Society.

London.—One of the most tragic figures in British society to-day is the wife of the prime minister of England. Mrs. Asquith herself would doubtless repudiate this assertion with her characteristic remark, "Dear me, how interesting," a shrug of the shoulders, and an airy wave of the hand, but if any woman has ever failed to live up to the high destiny to which she has been called by fate, it is Emma Alice Margaret, the second wife of the Right Hon. Herbert Henry Asquith, P.C., M.P., K.C., prime minister and first lord of the treasury.

"Yet, 'Margot' Asquith, as her intimates the countess of Essex and the duchess of Rutland love to call her, started this strange game misnamed "Life" under the fairest of auspices. She was a daughter of Sir Charles Tennant, a wealthy and well-known Scottish member of parliament, a son of St. John Tennant of St. Rollax, Lanark, and quite early she became initiated into all the mysteries and disillusion of British politics. This did not prevent her becoming a prominent figure amongst "The Sows," a group of young thinkers and politicians which included Asquith, Balfour and other noted men, who preferred to talk of the mystical rather than the charms of mid-Victorian materialism and culture. It also involved her appearance as the heroine of an E. F. Benson novel "Dodo."

Her High Ambition.

About that time, however, she also made up her mind, "I will be the wife of the prime minister of England," she told her girl friends, "Liberal or Conservative?" they questioned in a whisper, with a side glance at Arthur Balfour. "I don't know," she replied quite frankly, "but this much I am certain about, he must be the premier."

Years were destined to pass before she wedded, but that thin nervous frame never faltered in its grim far-seeing, girlhood resolution. In 1891 Asquith's first wife died after 14 years' married happiness. She was Helen, the daughter of a commoner, F. Melland of Manchester. In 1894 "Margot" Tennant married Herbert Henry Asquith while he was home secretary, and she has since borne him two children, a son and a daughter. In 1908 Asquith, became prime minister of England, and one of his wife's first public acts after taking up her residence at the historical premier's home at 10 Downing Street was to hold a formal reception merely to exhibit the newest gowns designed by her Paris dressmaker. Picture the outburst of pained indignation that this thoughtless and irreverent act provoked in the minds of the staid Liberals who remembered the sweet womanly charm and high principle of Catherine Gladstone. "It's monstrous, monstrous," they cried, and even the lace manufacturers of Nottingham uttered a loud and indignant protest.

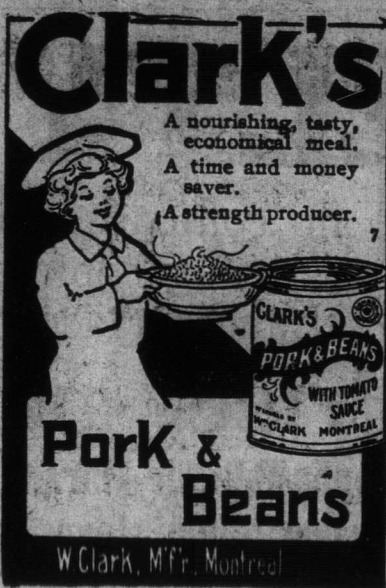
Asquith Said Nothing.

Asquith bowed his head under the storm and said nothing, but his party never forgave his wife and have never forgotten the incident. "It's a shame," she said, discussing the incident last week, "a great shame and a great mistake. I only did it to oblige the poor Frenchman. He wrote from Paris and told me that he had got a lot of new models to show me." I said as usual "to bring them over." But he replied he could not do this time they were so numerous. Bring them, I repeated. I will invite a few friends to look at them. You need custom. It will help you. So he came and arranged them at the official residence merely for one afternoon.

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One Great Opening.

"There is really only one great opening for the prime minister and that is the office about to fall vacant. Will Mr. Asquith deny himself that coveted high office of Lord chief justice of England when Lord Alverstone retires? It is not at all likely that he will do anything so improvident.

"Lord Alverstone's health has completely broken down; his absence has been keenly felt at the law courts; the work of the courts of appeal and of the king's bench division has got hopelessly into arrears. Why the delay in a long-expected decision and re-arrangement if Lord Alverstone is not simply retaining his position until the prime minister has made up his mind as to his own procedure and future?

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"Hence the prophet who avers that presently Mr. Asquith will have evolved into lord chief justice is on fairly solid ground. Whether Sir Edward Grey or Mr. Lewis Harcourt will have stepped into his shoes as prime minister is an interesting speculation piquant in its way as the picture of the evolution of Henry Herbert himself."

But nobody wonders what Mrs. Asquith will say to this new arrangement. And apparently nobody cares!

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