

A True Wife.

It is not to sweep the house, make the beds, darn the socks and cook the meals chiefly that a man wants a wife. If this is all he needs, a servant can do it cheaper than a wife. If this is all, when a young man calls to see a lady, send him into the pantry to taste the bread and cake she has made; send him to inspect the needlework and bed-making; or put a broom in her hand and send him to witness its use. Such things are important, and the wise young man will quickly look after them. But what the true young man wants with a wife is her companionship, sympathy and love. The way of life has many dreary places in it, and man needs a wife to go with him. A man is sometimes overtaken by misfortunes; he meets with failures and defeat; trials and temptations beset him, and he needs one to stand by and sympathize. He has some hard battles to fight with poverty, enemies and sin, and he needs a woman that when he puts his arm around her, he feels he has something to fight for; she will help him to fight; she will put her lips to his ear and whisper words of counsel, and her hand to his heart and impart inspiration. All through life, through storm and through sunshine, conflict and victory, through adverse and through favoring winds, man needs a woman's love.

Happy Children's Home.

To all children home should be the happiest place in the world; the nurse should be a person of cheerful, sunny disposition, strong and active, as there is a great deal of hard work attending the care of a little child; and, while the mother should always remain head nurse, the assistant should be a vigorous person. Do not allow nurse or any one else to terrorize your children with stories of any kind that will cling to them and make their nights a torment. It is useless to make them afraid of any of the domestic animals by telling them that everything will "bite." If a child is naturally nervous, it can be better controlled by a little judicious indulgence than by denial.

Little pleasures should be provided for them and the pleasure of anticipation given them. It will not hurt your carpets to have a few chalk rings on them, and any little boy would enjoy a game of marbles with papa or mamma even better than with the boys down the street that you do not want him to associate with. Play with your children sometimes; it will draw you nearer to them and keep you young. Spend less time on their clothes and more on their sweet selves. The day will come only too soon when you can sit down with your tidied house and they are all away.



FIG. 28.—No. 4405.—Ladies' Princesse Costume. Price 35 cents.

Quantity of Material (42 inches wide) for 32 inches, 6 yards; 34 inches, 6½ yards; 38 inches, 6 1-4 yards; 40 inches, 6 7-8 yards; 42 inches, 7 1-4 yards.

Quantity of Material (54 inches wide) for 32 inches, 5 1-2 yards; 34 inches, 5 3-4 yards; 36 inches, 6 1-8 yards; 38 inches, 6 1-4 yards; 40 inches, 6 7-8 yards; 42 inches, 6 1-2 yards.

If made of materials illustrated, 3 1-2 yards of 54-inch light material, 2 1-4 yards of 54-inch dark material, 2 3-4 yards of passementerie, and 2 yards of ribbon will be required to make the medium size.

Women's Work.

A contemporary suggests a society for lightening the burdens of women who have houses to keep in order, and says:

Does the shoemaker try to lighten women's work by sewing the buttons on honestly, or "tipping" the footwear with honest leather? Does the tailor who makes the pants with his boasted benevolence of "double knees" ever put them on the right place or large enough? Does the carpenter ever put the nails and hooks where a medium-sized woman, let alone a child, can reach them?

Is there ever but the fewest possible shelves that a woman can reach without standing on a chair, at the risk of breaking her back?

It is a very little thing to have no water-back to a stove, so a man thinks; but to a wife-of-all-work it is—well, there is no word strong enough to express the trouble it causes. A sink on a level, with cold water, is not an easy thing to keep clean. Why not make a little decline? Also bring the zinc over the edges somewhat. The continued settling of grease in the fine cracks or interstices is very trying to a delicate-stomached woman.

The bureau drawers that never open or shut without a trial of temper, why cannot they be made to run smoothly?

It should be declared a punishable offence to make a window that cannot be brought in to clean.

Men invented all these awkward and inconvenient things, and men made them, and they are responsible for the breakdown, haggard-looking women we see on the streets, or rather in the houses.

For indigestion or dyspepsia, Adams' Tutti Frutti Gum, is recommended by R. Ogden Doremus, M. D., LL.D., and Dr. Cyrus Edson. Sold by all Druggists and Confectioners, 5 cents.



FIG. 26.—No. 4461.—Ladies' Basque. Price 25 cents.

Quantity of Material (21 inches wide) for 32, 34 inches, 4½ yards; 36, 38 inches, 4½ yards; 40 inches, 4½ yards.

Quantity of Material (42 inches wide) for 32, 34 inches 2 1-3 yards; 36, 38 inches, 2 1-4 yards; 40 inches 2 3-8 yards.

If made of material illustrated, 2 3-4 yards of 42-inch material, 1 yard of silk for sleeves, 7-8 of a yard of fringe, and 4 yards of narrow braid will be required for medium size.

No. 4462.—Ladies' Trimmed Skirt. Price 30 cents.

This design cuts from 22 to 32 inches waist measure, and the quantity of material required for each size, of 21-inch goods, 10 yards or 42-inch goods, 5 yards. If made of materials illustrated, 3 3-4 yards of 42-inch material, 3 1-2 yards of silk, and 2 pieces of braid will be required for each size.

History for Children.

Much more attention is paid to the study of history in our common schools than was given to it twenty years ago. This is right. Too much cannot be taught the children of the principles of our government, the duties of its principal officers, the history of its formation and of its struggles, and, in an impartial way, the main points of difference between the principal political parties. All this will tend to make more patriotic and better citizens, as well as wise and intelligent voters. But while much attention is given to the past, current events of state, national or world-wide importance are often overlooked. Some teachers use a daily newspaper in their schools, with the best results. Short lessons in events of the present are given two or three times a week. The most important of these are discussed as to cause and result. If it is something occurring in a foreign land, maps are consulted, and the exact place located. Then each one is requested to find out all he can about the place, and the manners, and customs of the people. One who has never tried this would be surprised at the interest awakened and the information that will be collected in a short time.

How to cure indigestion. Chew Adams' Tutti Frutti Gum before and after meals, and induce the flow of saliva. Sold by all Druggists and Confectioners, 5 cent.

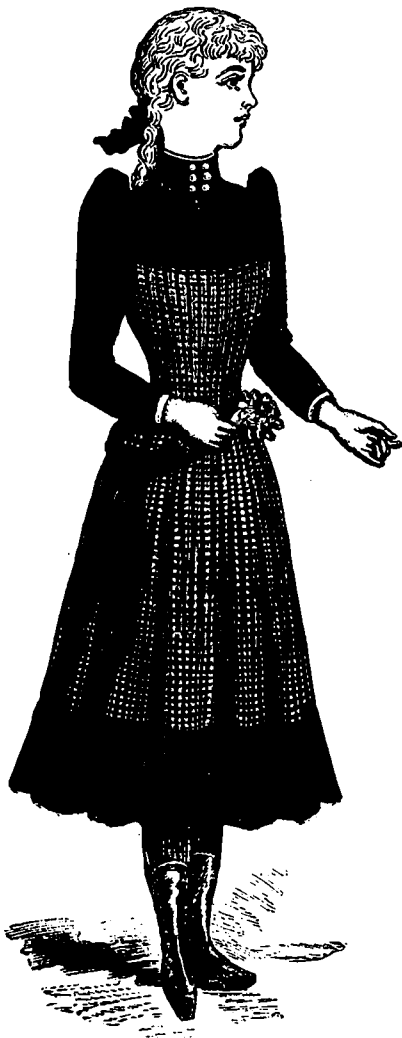


FIG. 46.—No. 4458.—Misses' Dress. Price 25 cents.

Quantity of Material (36 inches wide) for 10 years, 4 yards; 11 years, 4 1-4 yards; 12 years, 4 3-8 yards; 13 years, 4 1-2 yards.

If made of materials illustrated, 3 1-4 yards of 36-inch material, 2 yards of 27-inch plush, and 5 yards of plush ribbon will be required to make the medium size.