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The Evening Chit-Chat

By RUTH CAMERON



There is a certain reform which I should very much like to see some fashion magazine take up. I call for it as spokesman of many similarly minded folks. We would like to see at least one fashion magazine banish the ranks of de-

ceitfully beautiful ladies who now adorn their pages, and fill their places with just ordinary folks. Then perhaps we might get a notion how all these gowns would really look on us—the common people.

Of course, you have noticed how beautiful all these ladies are. They always have wonderful figures, fascinating wavy hair, and charming oval faces, and such a style! A meal bag draped on any of them would look attractive. Consequently, if you are not a very discriminating person, and do not thoroughly understand the subject of clothes, you are in danger of being seriously ensnared by these charming deceivers, and of confusing their gowns with their selves.

For instance, you see a sweet little lady in a crisp blue and white morning gown, a pink rose thrust in her belt and one on each cheek, her hair in a soft mop at the nape of her neck with little ringlets escaping here and there; she is pictured as sitting in a comfortable veranda chair with a book in her lap and a box of candy on the wicker table beside her. Enchanted by the total ensemble of the picture, the crispness, the freshness, the summer-morning-ness of the whole thing, you decide that you must have a blue and white morning gown like that, and buy the pattern. And alas, it is only when your dressmaker has

the gown cut that you begin to realize that the lovely lines which the sweet lady of the rose displayed belonged to her and not to the gown, and that there is altogether too much fullness in the model for your already redundant figure—in short that you have been grossly deceived by a pretty face and a clever artist. We were looking at a magnificently dressed young person on the cover of one of the recent fashion magazines. "What a lovely gown!" someone said. And then, as we examined it more closely to see what made the gown so pretty, two of us actually chanted together, as they do on the stage, "It isn't the gown. It's the dimple in the lady's elbow." And it was.

Another fashion magazine is very fond of pointing out that it is bad taste for us women to wear all these rats and puffs to which we are prone. How much more attractive, we are assured, it would be for us all to do our hair in the simple styles. The magazine then gives pictures of the ways in which hair can be simply dressed and still be becoming. And, of course, all the ladies who display their coiffures to us are the possessors of perfectly regular features which could stand the most severe styles of coiffing, and are furthermore blessed with masses of luxuriantly curling hair which would look well if wound up and fastened with three hair pins.

We don't ask for homely ladies in the fashion magazines. We are not that ourselves, or at least we don't think so. What we want is some common ordinary folks just like us, with figure deficiencies to conceal and with faces such as you might see on the street. Maybe we wouldn't like them if we got them. It is said that's a characteristic of our sex, but it might pay some fashion magazine to try.

Ruth Cameron

WELCOME WORDS TO WOMEN

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Household Notes.

To bleach clothes that have turned yellow from long use, or from wearing in the dust, put them to soak for about five days in buttermilk. Use a stone jar or a wooden bucket for this purpose. At the end of that time squeeze thoroughly and boil in a light soda.

Before dyeing a garment mark each right-hand or left-hand piece, so there will be no uncertainty about which is the right or wrong side after dyeing. A thread fastened at one edge of each piece, and left an inch or two in length, will answer the purpose.

To keep a placket from tearing, fasten the last or bottom hook and eye and then clamp it with a hammer. It cannot come unhooked, cannot tear or rip, and eases the strain on the goods just below the placket at the spot which so often is torn, even on comparatively new gowns.

If the baby is afraid of the water and cries and screams when taking his bath, buy several prettily colored cork "bobbers," such as fishermen use. Throw these in the bathtub and baby will get so busy trying to catch them that he will forget to be afraid of his morning bath, and even learn to like it.

People who have trouble with neural rubbers breaking where the narrow strip goes around the back of the foot may make them wear a much longer time by using adhesive plaster. This comes in narrow strips, and will stick forever to the rubber if put across the break. It saves rubber bills.

When washing cream wool or cotton goods, instead of using bluing, try putting the water in which a few onion skins have been boiled in the last rinsing water, and you will be assured of a clear, bright cream, much different from the muddy color so often experienced when coffee is used for the same purpose.

For wiping oiled floors, prepare an oiled duster. Ring a cloth out of kerosene and hang it out of doors until perfectly dry. All odor of kerosene disappears, and the cloth is not oily to the touch. This gathers the dust and holds it. It cleans as effectively as a damp cloth and without injury to the wood finish.

Stew rhubarb in the usual way, making it thinner, however, than usual and adding no sugar to it. Soak your rusted white clothes in it for three-quarters of an hour, then take out, rinse in cold water and pour boiling water over them to take out the purple stain of the rhubarb. This will take out rust stains when everything else fails.

If at any time you find your lamp well almost empty, and you realize to your dismay that there is no oil in the house, replenish the well with water. The presence of the latter causes the oil to rise to the top, thus enabling the wick to be saturated thoroughly with it. You will be surprised to find your light just as bright and as clear as ever.

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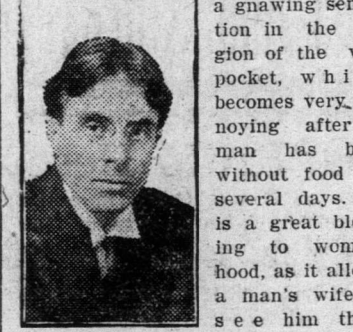
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APPETITES!

By HOWARD L. RANN.



An appetite is a gnawing sensation in the region of the vest pocket, which becomes very annoying after a man has been without food for several days. It is a great blessing to womanhood, as it allows a man's wife to see him three times a day, and thus prevents her from forgetting his first name. Some people employ an appetite which has to be driven with a wire bit and kicking strap, while others use the kind which has to be stimulated with crab apple jelly and young onions. Several of our great men go around in perfect comfort without any appetite whatever, and live a happy and useful life on kind deeds and bean soup. One reason why women never have the gout is because they have trained their appetites to let go before stupefaction sets in. Appetites come in three sizes—normal, abnormal and abysmal. A normal appetite is one which permits a man to sleep all night without introducing fifty-seven varieties of oratorical nightmares into the bed chamber. An abnormal appetite is one which comes in for the pastry course under double wraps and a strong pull. An abysmal appetite is the kind generally used at pie-eating contests, although occasionally one strays into a church supper or a lodge feed. Some appetites are more expensive than others and result in clogging up the system with morbid thoughts and the velvety touch of intermittent dyspepsia. Loss of appetite is caused by too close attention to business and not enough to golf. If men whose appetites have to be massaged with condiments and Scotch highballs would do a little more concentrating at the end of a pointed fishpole, and a little less on the bills receivable, this would be a brighter and a better world.

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