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Women's Page



MEMORIES OF CHESTERTOWN

One of the memories of our Childhood was the Westcott family. There were two families both living near us. Mr. George Westcott resided in the old house that now faces on Church Alley; but then all the land that is now occpied by the houses in which Mrs. Wheat, Mr. Caldwell and Mr. John Welch was the garden, while the front yard extended to Court St. embracing the lots on which Hick's and the Transcript buildings now stands. Mr. Westcott had a crown of silver hair deep set percing gray eyes topped by heavy black eye brows, a man of strength and personality. Among the remembrances of him is of a little girl who had recently lost her mother. She was just recovering from the measles and was sitting on the porch feeling weak and very lonely. He came across the street and called her and taking her up town, bought a number of boxes of strawberries and carried them home for her. Such luscious strawberries they were, too. Mr. Westcott had first married a Miss Hynson and his child by that marriage was Mrs. Thomas Hill, of Baltimore. When we knew him his second wife was Miss Ann Maria Tylden, a descendant of Marmaduke Tylden, a man well known in the annals of Kent County. In those days the housekeepers always carried keys and I remember Mrs. Westcott as always looking for her keys which were generally lost. Sometimes after a fruitless search she would find them in her pocket. At one time she had a servant, named Debby. Never in my life have I seen a more impudent face than Debby had. I remember once when Mrs. Westcott put a dollar under the rug to test her honesty, Debby, suspecting such a thing waited until Mrs. Westcott was standing by and deliberately swept the bill into the open fire. Mr. Westcott had an only son, Mr. Charles Tylden Westcott, a man who is still remembered in Chestertown. He married the rector's niece, Miss Mary Guion and had a large attractive family who to every one's regret moved to Baltimore after his parents died. At her father's death Mrs. Hill had Tiffany to erect a window in old Emmanuel Church to his memory, a window that is considered one of the finest in this country.

Mr. Nicholas Westcott kept store ni a building where the Imperial Hotel now stands. His residence with a small uncovered porch on the street, was attached to it. He had married Mrs. George Westcott's sister, but never were two sisters more unlike, Whre Mrs. George was mild, Mrs. Nick was fiery, but oh, so kind hearted and generous to every one. Her husband was a calm and undisturbed man. So often when she would be in such a hurry, he would say, "Plenty of time," "Plenty of time" and he generally had his way. Their only son, Mr. George Westcott had once been to sea and it was his mother's dread tha the would go again, and was glad when he married Miss Pollie Wickes for then she knew he was truly anchored at home. They had a large family two of them Mrs. Hynson Rogers and Mr. Simon Westcott, both useful citizens of the town, while the others are making good elsewhere. Mrs. Polly Branham, their youngest daughter's name is beginning to be known in the Literary world.

One remembrance of Mrs. Westcott makes us laugh to this day. She was an ardent politician, and in the contest between Samuel J. Tilden and Mr. Hayes she was very much interested. One day when she was carving some meat, she heard some one shouting, "Hurrah for Hayes," and unconsciously she rushed out on the little porch waving her carving knife with all her might. Mr. Westcott's clerk at that time was Mr. Bruce McIntyre ,who was very popular with the children around. They were all good men and women and were respected and liked by their friends and neighobrs.

ISHBEL McDONALD

Ishbel McDonald has come to this country with her father, Prime Minister, McDonald, although tired from her journty across the Atlantic, she has had a busy time, being interviewed by Press Correspondents, and attending teas and dinners given in her honor. She has always been considered an outstanding woman having been the constant companion of her father since her mother's death in her early girlhood. She has a younger sister who is married, but Ishbel thinks her place is at her father's side, especially in this time of strain and stress.

FASHIONS

Colors have their ups and downs, just as everything else. At present they are on top of the fashion world for it is a la mode to be gay in hue above the waist line.

Impressions of Easter fashions revealed that the lightest colors with banana, apricot and ash-rose tones prominently featured were popular. Larger hats, usually of contrasting colors, were noted. Many all-satin ensembles joined the parade.

Metal tissue is the smartest evening accessory material of the moment. Stitched lame belts, pickign up highlights of one's hair, are amusing. Cloth of silver double-triangle shawls and tailored black velvet jackets, lined, trimmed and buttoned with silver, divide the Easter evening wrap honors.

Fantaisie surfaces outmode plain ones throughout the textile field. Interesting variations on brocaded themes are a midseason forecast.

The local point of the style centre is again swinging toward the back of the silhouette, especially in the evening when trailing scarfs and sashes are seen, and hair flung backward gives the head a wind-blown effect. Back fullness is accentuated in the day time by skirts and loose coats.

Talbot's colored organdie gloves, matching her new sailors made on a straw braid foundation that shows through and gives the effect of semi-invisible self stripes, are a new note.

Smart youngsters favor gayly colored short-sleeved sweaters with modified turtle-necks for tailored street suits.

RECIPES

Brown Bread Recipe

Make a sponge of 1 cup of white flour, 1 cup of water and half of an yeast cake. When the sponge is light add 3 cups of brown flour, 1 cup of milk, 1 cup of molasses a little salt; a cup of raisin is ver ynice to add, but it is very good without. Drop from a spoon in to well greasde pans and place in a warm place to rise. When light bake in a moderate oven until bread leaves sides of pan. This bread keeps fresh for some time .

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

Saving Burnt Pudding

If you have the misfortune to have milk pudding or rice burn, immediately remove it from the fire, set in a pan of cold water and stir. The food will not taste burnt.

To Kill Gasoline Odor

To remove the odor in cleaning garments with gasoline, use about ten drops of oil of sassafras to a quart of gasoline A teaspoonful of salt in a quart of gasoline lessens the danger of a ring being left around spots that have been removed.

ANOTHER FISH STORY

Jack Moore, of Oregon, cast a clam-baited hook into the sea from the rocks at Barview.

A 12-inch kelp took the hook. As Moore pulled up his catch, a 2-foot long cod dashed and partly swallowed the kelp. Moore pulled more strenuously. Then up flashed a 4-foot long cod and swallowed what he could of the 2-footer.

Moore held on valiantly until Walter Zeller stepped in with a gaff and brought the triple catch to shore.

Possible for Blind to Become Capable Cooks

One of the most amazing developments of recent years has been the way in which blind people have been taught to perform marvelous processes which formerly were believed to require sight.

As a result of this, a great many men and women, who would formerly have been dependent upon relatives or institutions for the blind, have been able to earn their own living and have enjoyed a much fuller and more varied life.

But it is surprising to learn that it is now possible to teach blind people to cook, and that some of them have done very well, indeed, at this work. They distinguish different ingredients by means of the sense of touch. The same sense also helps them in measuring quantities and in the management of the cooking-stove.

Other senses come into play. Sound tells the blind cook when a liquid begins to simmer, when it gets hotter, and finally when it boils. And if a dish is cooking too quickly, that fact is advertised by the sense of smell. Electric stoves are safest for the blind cook.—London Answers.

CHEAPER TRANSPORTATION

A live-wire salesman rushed up to the home of a doctor in a small village about 3:00 a. m. and asked him to come at once to a distant town.

The doctor cranked his flivver and they drove furiously to their destination.

Upon their arrival the salesman asked: "How much is your fee doctor?"

"Three dollars," said the physician in surprise.

"Here you are," said the salesman, handing over the money; "the blamed garage keeper wanted $15 to drive me over when I missed my train."

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