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### THE WOMEN'S PAGE



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#### To the Mothers of Badin

I wonder how many mothers realize the tremendous importance of proper food for the children.

Do we expect the child to do with its hands the things that we can accomplish? Do we expect its mind to reason and think as ours? Do we think of these things when we feed a child the food of grown-ups, and expect their undeveloped digestive organs to take care of it? How slowly a child develops! What a long period must elapse before a child can do for itself! Is it not reasonable then that a child beginning to eat should have the simplest foods, most carefully prepared?

You say, "My baby eats anything—look at her—growing, healthy, happy." Will she be so always? Are you doing your best to give her, in her later life, the greatest blessing in the world—good health? Is she getting a fair chance?

Of course we all concede the easiest way is to feed whatever is at hand; but is it the best way, and is it easier in the long run? Are we not sure to have trouble sooner or later? It is not always convenient to cook extra things for the baby; but we will all agree it is easier and better than caring for a sick child, which is very often the result of some kind of neglect or carelessness.

In regard to proper diet for young children, none of us need be ignorant now. The government sends out excellent pamphlets on that subject. Dr. L. Everett Holt, of New York, has written a book to "The Young Mothers of Amer-



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ica" on The Care and Feeding of Children, in which he prescribes a diet for infants and older children; also tells just how the food should be prepared.

I wish every mother would read his book, and become conscious of the responsibility that is hers in providing the right food for the child.

-A BADIN MOTHER

#### King-Taylor

One of the events of this season was the marriage of Miss Theresa King and Mr. J. G. Taylor, which occurred at seven o'clock, December 17, at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Agden D. King, in Albemarle. Both Miss King and Mr. Taylor are well known in Badin as well as Albemarle, and their wedding, indeed beautiful in itself, made an occasion of gladsome interest to friends in both places.

Mrs. Bivens played the wedding march from Lohengrin as the bridal party descended the stairs. The two little ribbon bearers came first—the youngest sister of the bride, Elizabeth King, and Margaret Huckabee, wearing white chiffon dresses and silver bands in their hair. Then followed the bridesmaid, Miss Blanche King, who was charmingly dressed in turquoise blue taffeta, and carried pink roses. The bride came next, beautiful in duchess satin with long veil of maline held in place by a wreath of orange blossoms. She was given in marriage by her brother, Dr. O. D. King. The ceremony was performed by Father Williams, of Salisbury, and was as beautiful as it was impressive. Immediately following the ceremony, the bride and groom received the congratulations of a hundred or more guests, and a general good time was enjoyed by all.

The home was attractively decorated—the holly and mistletoe, the wedding bells, and the soft light from many candles all helping to make the scene one long to be remembered. We have been very fortunate this fall in having so many young married couples settle in Badin, and it is with a great deal of pleasure that we bid this latest bride and groom a warm welcome, and wish for them abounding health and happiness.

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