KE YOU A MODERN MAID? PRAISE HEAVEN! SAYS M'LISS

entenary of Charlotte Bronte Calls to Mind Obstacles That Mid-Victorian Women Were Up Against

Friday next those who remember anything about it and who love her for the books she has given us will celebrate the 100th anniversary of the birth lotte Bronte, one of the greatest, if not the greatest, of nineteenth century

ng that very interesting biography, "The Three Brontes," by May Sinto bulk of which is devoted, of course, to Charlotte, the most famous of med Mid-Victorian sisters, I cannot help but marvel how easy things en of today when compared with the struggles that the women y ago were forced to go through to give expression to their indi-If they were fortunate enough to possess any.

ay there is no field—from the ministry to the munitions factory—that we to enter. For years Charlotte Bronte had to hire herself out as nursery m, a servitude that she loathed, because, although she felt herself being med by the divine spark of genius with which she was endowed, she feared utterance to her real thoughts. It was immoral then for a woman to be of so masculine a performance as writing a book! And when the nom de of Currer Bell, which she had assumed to protect herself, no longer served feld to hide her identity, such a howl of "shame" arose and so many fingers were pointed at the woman who could have dared to know enough to Jane Eyre" that the poor author hid herself in her father's parsonage at

ay a woman capable of giving to the world a book like "Jane Eyre" would ed and dined and quoted in the newspapers on everything from the effect poke bonnet on the feminine temperament to how the problem of the preince of women in England ought to be met.

ot so with Charlotte Bronte. Because she portrayed the realities of life sas flayed by the critics within an inch of her own; but what cut deepest was the accusation that because of her knowledge she must have been a man. Leaping across the chasm of a century, she permitted her heroine ilt her love for Rochester, as any healthy-minded young woman put into situation might have done. According to the sickly saccharine Midan ideals, heroines could pine away if they thought their love unrequited; aid languish in despair or go off into vapors or do anything that was femand floppy except confess their love honestly. That was too bold.

I do not believe that the tragic story of the Bronte sisters can be read by In woman without causing to stir within her a profound feeling of gratithat things are not what they used to be and that the day of woman has But it must not be forgotten that it is such brave spirits as Charlotte who took the bit in their teeth and ran the gantlet of conservatism, who in large measure responsible for the coming of the dawn.

They Can't Keep 'Em Up News reports from out of Germany state that the scarcity of rubber is rele for a serious garter famine, and that women of heretofore impeccable y may be seen to clutch madly at recalcitrant stockings.

What with the dye situation in America and the garter troubles in Deutsch may, in sheer desperation, be forced to emulate Isadora Duncan and the an dancers—as far as bare legs are concerned anyway.

Letters to the Editor of the Woman's Page Address all communications to M'Lles, care of the Evening Ledger. Write on one side of the paper only.

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It of those who are interested in the control of the little book on rag rugmaking have to inclose stamped self-addressed lops in their request for the name, reannot have it otherwise.

Ar MLiss Can you get me a pattern has frock that you wrote about and has a "slip-on"? It was designed by a adelphia girl. Thanking you in aday, I am Mrs. S. Mrs. Ella Neely McCoy, it is designer, Mrs. Ella Neely

Marion Harland's Corner

HAVE a light tan Georgette crepe raist which I should like to clean. you suggest a way in which I the work without fading or in which please answer as soon as I should like to clean the

not send recipes and long for-by mail. Had we wished to do this ur case, we could not address you to the could not not not not not. To show how sincere is our to be of service to you, let me say know of no better method of clean-ur waist than by sousing it in a will of gasoline and shaking it up we, back and forth, in the liquid, the dislodged dirt falls to the bot-the bowl, pour off the gasoline and not send recipes and long for he bowl, pour off the gasoline and supply. Do not throw away You can draw off the clear d use again for other purposes, a waist well when it is clean in the air to dry, pulling it into it begins to dry. When it is lay it upon a board covered h and press on the wrong side not hot-iron.

Crocheting Rag Rugs

and an appeal from F. H. B. for me to give information on crochety rugs. I had one given me Christmat in pretty and looks easy to It was made by my brother's Any one wishing to examine it to at my home. I inclose address. "MRS. W. L. D."

you favor us with your full ad-You give your initials, but not I name. In the circumstances we not notice the communication but desire to show courtesy to a con-whose kindly intent deserves ac-

Dusty Straw Hats

can I remove the dusty appears a rose-colored hemp straw hat; clack hemp straw hat? J. S." being in the millinery business, I advise you with any degree of see in my own judgment. Were t mine, I should sponge it with a cof slochi and ether, equal parts, and wipe dry. If the dusty look of removed, I should send the hat liliner. We have scores of women business. Will not one tell us if used be worth anything? el be worth anything?

Discussing Preparedness

are having a warm discussion in this as to the way of pronouncing raines. Is it a word of three as or four?

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I li t'use accent in laid lightly the second syllable.

Care of Men's Ties





All communication addressed to Marion Harland should enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope and a clipping of the article in which you are interested Persons wishing to the charlinble work of the H. H. C. should write Marion Harland, in care of this paper, for addresses of those they would like to help, and, having received them, communicate direct with those parties.

ing care of men's neckties. I have a wee ironing board, four inches wide at one end and tapering to one inch at the other. It is 14 inches long and padded like a regular shirt board. I clean the ties with gasoline or with hot water and soap; then I catch hold of the lining, not pulling it loose from the stitches holding it in place, and turn the tie inside out. Then place, and turn the tie inside out. Then the lining is dampened and pressed. Next thrust the small end of the board into the tie, all the way, and put a damp cloth over the wron, side of the tie which is on the board. Press out all the wrinkles. When it is dry turn it right side out again. I think some women who want work could get 10 cents a tie at hotels and clubs from the lone men who oftentimes have expensive ties, costing from \$2 up. If 10 cents per pair is paid for having dollar white gloves cleaned, surely the ties are worth the money if the aforesaid men wish to have them look as good as new. Joy be with the Corner and the work it is doing. C. P. E."

The hint to the woman who would make money by the work of her hands is excellent. The wife and mother whose "men folks" like to wear pretty ties will seize upon your suggestion gratefully. wrinkles. When it is dry turn it right will seize upon your suggestion gratefully. Likewise Mary, whose John is beginning to eye ruefully the loss of the first freshness in his stylish neckwear, will take pride in renovating them secretly as a surprise for the dear fellow.

Stanza From Early Poem

-Anonym

Thought is deeper than all speech, Feeling deeper than all thought; Souls to souls can never teach What unto themselves was taught.



SEEN IN THE SHOPS

HERE is a distinctive frock for the little tot. The material is fine nainsook. The model is a development from the Mother Hubbard, but modern designers call it a bishop dress. The whole thing spells daintiness. The neck and sloping shoulder seams are outlined with lace beading, threaded with palest pink or sky-blue baby ribbon. The sleeves are quite full and finished off with the same, and a tiny frill

The hem is made rather deep, measuring four inches, and edged with fine hand feather-stitching. Sizes include one to two years. The price of the frock is \$4.75, "Puritan" is the name of the quaint little bonnet. It is hand-made and fashioned of French muslin with streamers of the same. The front shows a band of cluny, a hand-scalloped edge, and a valenciennes frill framing the face. The rosettes are made

of satin ribbon in pink or baby blue. Price, \$3.85.

The name of the shop where these articles may be purchased will be supplied by the Editor of the Woman's Page, EVENING LEDGER, 608 Chestnut street. The request must be accompanied by a stamped, self-addressed envelope and must mention the date on which the article appeared.

OUR CHANGEABLE WEATHER GREAT HEALTH AND EFFICIENCY TONIC

By WILLIAM BRADY, M. D.

VARIATIONS in temperature represent one of Nature's best tonics. So worldwide an authority as Sir Lauder Brunton believes tuberculosis patients will not gebetter in a climate that does not vary from 20 to 30 degrees every day. Many from 20 to 30 degrees every day. Many brine baths and passive movements to observers have hinted that the practical strengthen the heart? value of altitude treatment is attributable to the marked temperature variations of elevated regions as compared with the more equable temperature average of lower

regions Most of the refreshing influence of "fresh air" is simply that of cool air. This is the day of efficiency. We do not strive to keep good and warm, for the good die young; we endeavor to keep cool and well.

When white men have to live and work in a tropical climate, they degenerate physically, mentally and morally, not so much from the effect of the high temperature as from the monotony of the unvarying climate—the lack of the stimulation of a change of weather. See the movies

Oyster Bay, Athens, Constantinople, Naples, Florence, Paris, Vienna, Berlin, London, New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, St. Louis, San Francisco, Tokyo, Pekin, Jerusalem, Carthage, Sidon, Tyre, Memphis and Babylon, not to mention Binghamton and St. Paul—in short, all the great centres of efficiency fall within 19 degrees of the fortieth parallel of north longitude, which has been called the line of man's highest achievements. The weather here around the fortieth is delightfully change-able. Changeable is the only word for it. It is more changeable than any other know brand of weather throughout the solar system, for which Heaven be praised!

People who "winter" in mild or soft climates miss the tonic effect of our good old winter here at home. Especially is this true of neurasthenics and semi-in-valids. The bracing northern winter, in a dry climate, will do the average valetudin arian more good than the perhaps, more comfortable southern resort. Of course there are certain ailments which are better managed in a warmer climate.

But, taking it good, bad and indifferent
—and that is the sensible way to look
upon the weather—our fine, quick-changing, never entirely dependable kind here

in the neighborhood of the fortieth par-allel is, after all, the healthiest.

All of which is not a mere refteration of the perverse views so often expressed in this column. No, indeed. We "lifted" this article, almost word for word, from an adjusting in that very conservative resident. editorial in that very conservative period ical, "The Journal of the American Medi-cal Association."



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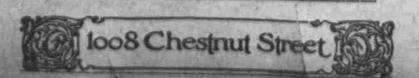
Cretonnes in all wanted colorings, 25c upward. Curtains-Novelties in scrims, muslins and nets; flat and ruffled, \$1.25 a pair upward.

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Good form queries should be ad-dressed to Deborah Rush, written on one side of the saper and signed with full name and address, though initials ONLY will be published upon request.

about a thing she would like to have answered. Maybe it is a maid's reference, or the address of some one, and the recipient just puts the letter aside and does not notice it, or forgets it, and just lets things go. This is not only bad form, but very rude. Worse still is it to let an invitation, formal or informal, go unanswered for any length of time. Some persons will wait until the last minute to accept or regret an invitation, thereby placing their hostess in an impossible position, unable to fill the place at the last moment. Of course, such breaches in good manners have their own reward, eventually, as persons who behave in this wise are not often asked twice by a hostess.

Dear Deborah Rush—Will you be kind enough to publish in the Evening Ledder some games to play at an sclair party given in a small ball to raise money for a girls' club. If you could suggest an frex-pensive one I would be glad if you will write it in the EVENING LEDGER. Thanking you in advance, yours truly, E. M.

Dear Deborah Rush-Is it polite for a man to smoke while walking in the street with a woman?

No. It is not good form, but if a woman allows It the man is scarcely to be blamed.

Is Stamp Flirtation Good Form?

Dear Deborah Rush—Do you consider it good form to use the language of stamps; that is, for girls and men to use it? C. V. G.

The language of stamps or stamp filrtation cannot be considered in good form. Those who do make use of it would probably only do so in joke. It should scarcely be considered seriously.

Dear Deborah Rush — Kindly answer my questions in your good-form column: 1. Is it proper for a young man to kisa a girl good-night when at first meeting, her or calling? Will be think just as much of me if I don't?

2. Please tell me, when a girl and fellow don't speak, is it proper for the girl to speak first and find out what is the matter?

Do you advise a person with organic heart trouble, who has had broken compensation, to take take walks, sait or man's for

man's friendship?
4. Is it necessary for a fellow to hold a girl's hands just when holding a plain versation?

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future and thanking you for your kind-ness, I am sincerely. BETTY S. On first reading your letter it seemed

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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

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have permanent teeth at that age?

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GOOD FORM

More than once attention has been called by various correspondents to the matter of answering letters. This is a point in good form which is very often neglected. I am not referring to correspondence between young girls and men, as, except in rare cases, this is not to be encouraged, but matters of purely common courtesy. A woman writes to another about a thing she would like to have answered. Maybe it is a maid's reference.

Suggest a Game

It seems to me the easiest thing would be to play different games of cards. You can use sheets of cardboard for tables and buy pretty but inexpensive prizes for each table. Cards can usually be donated by friends, and some persons will even bring a prize for the table. Games such as euchre. 500, hearts and even old maid cause a good deal of fun, and are very easy for any one to play.

Smoking While Out Walking

3. What is the best way to win a young

conversation?

5. Is there any wrong in sending a fellow a postal if you go away on a vacation? Will be think I am after him?

6. Please tell me if I should meet young men on corners if my father objects to my having them call at the house?

7. If a fellow has anything belonging to a girl, such as a ring, picture or handkerchief, will be think wrong of her?

Trusting to hear from you in the near future and thanking you for your kind-

hard to believe you were in carnest, as surely you could not think there would

he any doubt about my answers to the above questions, but perhaps some one has been imposing upon your good nature and credulity, so I will answer the ques-tions as you request.

I. It would be highly improper to allow a man to kiss you, especially on so short an acquaintance. You should allow no one but the man you intend to marry such liberties. A man might enjoy taking this privilege, but he would think very little of you for allowing it.

2. It would depend entirely on circumstances. If you know the young man well and he has imagined some hurt, it would be more sensible to ask what is the matter. I would certainly never stop speaking to any one without a very welldefined reason.

3. Simply be your natural self. Any effort to attract is always forced. If you are kind and polite to every one you are sure to make friends.

4. It is most unnecessary and a very great familiarity when holding any kind of a conversation, plain or otherwise.

5. There is no wrong in sending a root.

 There is no wrong in sending a post card, but it would be better form to wait to be asked to do so by the man you think of sending it to. You should not meet your friends on corners if you father objects to their calling. Parents usually have very good

reasons for objecting to some young men It is not wise, however, to give these

THE CHEERFUL CHERUB The future looms so vague and vast, And likewise does the unknown past. It thrills me, this uncertain state Of playing hide and seek with Fate.

sepsakes unless you have a decided in terest in the man.
I would not use the expression "fellow"; it is not in good form. A man is a man after all, and is entitled to be called DEBORAH RUSH.

Dry Decanters

7. There is no reason why a man should think wrongly of a girl if he has procured such belongings of hers as you mention. It is not wise, however, the such belonging to the suc

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