SEEN IN THE SHOPS

## "TO KISS OR NOT TO KISS," IT'S USUALLY NOT TO, SAYS M'LISS

### The Habit of Osculation Is a Very Human One. She Opines, Albeit It Should Be Restrained

"TORD,' says Dean Swift in his "Polite Conversations," ,"I wonder what fool it was that first invented kissing."

Allian, probably. But, in the meantime, is there hay subject more discussed, more reviled or more praised than the osculatory one? Like mosquitoes, kisses and Rissers are constantly being swatted. If it isn't some prophylactic professor, it's the park policeman. And yet kissing continues to be the most universal, the most human habit on earth. Show me the man or woman who doesn't kiss nebody or something and you show a creature set apart from the rest of bis kind.

Kinnes are the mest paradoxical things in the world; they make homes and they break them, likewise kingdoms. They make men and they unmake them. They can cause the most acute happiness-at least the poets tell us so-and the most profound misery. They are indulged in-and enjoyed-by the yokel and the esthete. They can cost nothing whatever and they can cost the soul of a man. It all depends.

Comes now a correspondent with the following:

"Dear M'Liss-Flease answer just why it isn't proper for a young man to take a lady's arm when out walking. Also why she should not allow him to kiss VERONICA." her unless engaged.

Reversing your questions, Veronica, in the order of their importance, there are many seasons why it is not proper for a young woman to kiss a man to whom she is not engaged. Furthermore, there are many reasons why she shouldn't kiss him too often, even if she is engaged.

In the first place, the eugenists are really right about it: Indiscriminate kissing is unhygienic. Secondly, if you kiss this young man who is not your fiance you are likely to kiss that one. The habit grows. Ultimately you'll be wanting to kiss them all, and, as is the nature of the beasts, no one will be wanting to kiss you. Men always crave that which is withheld from them. Give of your favors sparingly if you wish them greatly to be desired. Then, too, Veronica, you ought not to want to kiss a man to whom you are not engaged. It shows an unbecoming gregariousness on your part.

Finally, remember the man who kisses and tells is very frequently to be met with. Men like to boast of their conquests, even as women do. But usually they don't marry the women whom they have conquered. Therefore it's not only immoral to kiss indiscriminately, but it's unwise,

As for a man taking a woman's arm in public, it's an expression of intimacy which would be better unexpressed, for the simple reason that such public demonstrations are construed by Anglo-Saxons to be vulgar. Why are they vulgar? Because that small minority which establishes customs and manners, and whose dicta the big majority bows before even as the pagans bowed before the golden calf, decrees them to be vulgar. There is no appeal from that decision. If you're going to be well-mannered in the conventional sense of the world, you'll have to obey many mandates that society, s-emingly without rhyme or reason, Imposes

Don't ask why, because in every case the answer is: Because "they" say so. M'LISS.

#### Letters to the Editor of the Woman's Page

Address all communications to M'Liss, care of the Evening Ledger. Write on one side of the paper only.

She doesn't dislike children. She doesn't abhor houses ork. She doesn't abhor houses ork. A MERE MAN.

Dear M'Lies-It has been the custom marging to wrap around the 'eternal feminine' dealast. Woman, by reason of custom, has been kept from makins the same public di-play of heres? I that man has, concerning her several way, the llusions concerning her ave been left to befudde and delisht the present inter until she is really commencing to believe in them herself. This is all rient on the some left. This is all rient on the dame like a man and cash is the several marging.

It can't be done. That is not for long: man will "get her number. In fact, he is getting her number. He is learning that at playing the same same woman is no better than he is. Itans, goes theal number one. The others follow in due order.

Dear M'Liss-My definition of the "woman" woman", can best be described by what she she doesn't dhilk clarifies she doesn't wear her skirts half way up her She doesn't abhor house ork. She doesn't abhor house ork. She doesn't abhor house ork. She doesn't abhor house ork.

Dear M'Liss-Would you he so kind to send me a good recips for a wedding cake? I have one but it calls for raisins and cur-rants, which I don't cars for your mich. MTC CARMEL.

There one, but it calls for relations and currants, which I don't care for very much. Mrt. CARMEL.
 Recipe for wedding rake: Use a poind each of butter, ease and flour, a tablespoonful of word brandy, or, if you have objections to this, substitute lemon jules or your favorile flavoring a half-transpoonful of make. Cream the butter and summar together until quite smooth. Least the whites and yolks of the ease server, and the state of the transpoonful of the ease server, and summar together until quite smooth. Least the whites and yolks of the ease server, and summar together until quite smooth. The set of the creamed butter and summar together until quite a state of the server and the flour and the whites alternately until very light. Add the flavor and the make to the creamed butter and summar, site in the yolks and beat hard for a few minutes. Now site in the flour and the whites alternately until very light. Add the flavor and the make to the creamed butter and summar. Site is not alternate to the state and the sector of the least the origin of the state. A second of the sector of the state of the paper and it is ready for the left. This may be as plath or as elaborate as your whish. A nice filling which may be not out of a nound of make the the state of any desire.
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But it's rough en the boast and pride of many means the sordid cont the boast and pride of many means the sordid our women, at least, are able sordid to the sordid sort women, at least, are able sordid to be collar and sconomic system the mixture from becoming cills. Add the first well will be the winter all the state the mixture allow the sordid sort women. So we contain the state the mixture state the sordid cont women, at least, are able sordid to the beam to be oldy man has accriticed to the beam to be oldy man has accrited them to be oldy man has sconome women. So we contain the state the mixture allow the sordid balance on the wills. With the fingers until it is the to be own efforts? It isn't the state woman, who thinks the sortid took and the sordid balance on the sale. Without is the show thinks she so that, and to stake day to be and the sordid to the sordid to the sordid to the sord the sordid to the sortid to state so the sortid to some man, and to take day to the sound and bines on the solded to the leing the some to sold water to make an it cost the sold to the sown water. This sold the sold to the sold to the sold t

D O YOU know how to dress?

GOOD FORM

Good form queries should be ad-dressed to Deborah Eush, written on one side of the paper and signed with full name and address, though initiale ONLY will be published upon request. This column will appear in Tues-day's. Thursday's and Saturday's Evening Ledger this week.

I have been asked to say something on the subject of wedding anniversaries and their celebration. It is seldom that an anniversary earlier than the fifteenth is celebrated except by members of the im-mediate families and intimate friends of

the married pair. An old custom dating back to and even beyond Colonial days puts the wedding anniversaries in the following order:

First year, paper. Fifth year, wooden. Tenth year, tin. Tweifth year, leather. Fifteenth year, crystal. Twentieth year, china Twenty-fifth year, silver. Thirtieth year, lyory, Fortleth year, woolen.

Thirtleth year, lvory. Forlieth year, woolen. Forty-fifth year, solden. Seventy-fifth year, diamond. When I say the earlier anniversaries are soldom celebrated. I mean they are not made into large functions. The crystal, or cut glass, wedding anniversary is usual-ly a more formal affair, though the earlier ones are much more conducive to general fun, as many articles of paper, wood or tin may be found which add much to the played with them. It is perfectly within scool form, of course, to celebrate any one of these dates by giving a formal entertainment, but it is simply not customary. Bilver weddings are usually of a more general social character, and it is correct to celebrate them with a formal reception. dinner or dance. The gifts sent on these occasions are always of silver or decorated in silver. But there are no special de-crees for the celebration of any of these anniversaries. The kind of entertainment is left to the personal taste of the per-sous themselves. ions themselves.

#### Wedding Anniversaries

Dear Deborah Rush: I am a constant reader of your paper and would appreciate very much your publishing what each year of marilare represents, such as first year, paper, etc. MRS, I. A. Tour letter is answered in the opening para-graph.

#### Question of Hours

Question of Hours Dear Deborah Rush: When a young man calls on me in the evening at what time is be expected to leave? And is it permissible to take while in the country in the evening with a young min usually dictates that a man calling on a girl in the evening should arrive between and Si30 and not remain later than half after 10 o'clock. It is not conventional nor according to good form.

#### A Stenographer Questions

A Stenographer ductions Dear Deborah Rush: I am a young girl of 17 years and am employed as a schengtrapher. Do you think it is proper for me to wear short niewe dresses to work? It is permissible to let my employer take me out for a motor ride in the afternoon? A plain weil-made waist and skirt or one-plece dress with a ra sileves and neat collars and cuffs is by x the best way to dress for office work? AR. x sileves and very open neck are most inappropriate. It would be an extremely unwise thing to do. It is never well to mix business and social pleasures.

Flower Girls Dear Deborgh Rush: In an article you wrote on Tuesday of this week you said that brides-maid of honor at a wedding, and then later you speak of flower girls, but did not say where they usually walk in the procession. I would be grateful if you would tell me whether procession or between ushers and bridesmaids. The flower girls usually walk Just before the bride back of the maid or matron of honor. They never take the lead of the procession, as the unders are always first. Sometimes it is permissible for the flower girls to walk be-tween unbers and bridesmaids. The offect, how-ever, is not so pretty as Just before the brides and her father.

Which Brother Takes Father's Place

Which Brother lakes Faller's Flace Dear Deborah Rusk: Suppose a girl is about to be married and her father is dead, She has store brothers, one married and the elder one single. Which should give her in marriage? The elder brother is the proper one to per-form this set in his father's place. This is not a hard and fast rule, however, and if for rea-sons of sentiment or close companionship be-tween the brother who is nearer her own age makes the bride wish to have ber younger brother. At is perfectly in good form. The first plan is usually best, however, as it, avoids any hurt feelings on the part of either. DEBORAH RUSH.

DEBORAH RUSH.

## Marion Harland's Corner

have it? I cannot go out this sum with two babies without one. I have be a shut in all winter. I have not many offers of go caris and carriage, the nice days are here. My baby, 2 of sige, cannot walk any distance are unable to buy a baby carriage, hope some one may have one to spare

Willing to Help

"WILLING."

"MRS, L. M. H.

#### Blue Pencil to Mark Quilts

Tmarking qufits, will use a blue pencil, T F M. F. M., who asks the pencil, she will not rdin the quilt. A friend of mine uses these entirely for all her embroidery. If you will send the cor-respondent's address, and that of who asks for baby things, and that of white. I hope you will think I am help-ing a little. And the name of A. B. M. I have a manual she wishes, and the name of John P. M. who asks for stamps, providing he needs more. I am not able to offer anything of real value to the Corner, for everything I can spire I send to a poor family. The children had no Christmas at all, so I sent toys and a big doll. I dressed and sent it by ex-press. It gave me much pleasure to do it and I feel doubly paid for my trouble. I cannot suspect you of affectation or of irony. You are too carneat and honest.

hope some one may have one to search "MRS. I. M. B. Again I have given a verifable of nerife her head and not interfered a annotations or explanations. We had it in our power to lend her a size "lift" in her hour of extremity." most indifferent reader must be dra with the native independence and so of justice that prompt her to entreas is we send her no more clothing for baby, since the is well supplied by me bers of the great family. She has that the donors of the clothing and the eted crib. She deprecates the Idea to she may be imposing upon the kinds of those who have told her that is stand ready to help her further, does "not see many offers of baby ringes in the Corner." We could expl that we have standing petitions for that make publication of offers need should one come to our knowledge. I cannot suspect you of affectation or of irony. You are too earnest and honest, and you prove all this by your works. Otherwise we might read as a jest the wish that you "could offer something of your report, so simply and graciously ex-pressed, is a token to us that our mis-sion is accomplishing what we foundly hoped it might when we established the benevolent branch of the Heiping Hand Corner. The co-operation and sincere ap-proval of such beings as yourself and sores of other choice souls is indorse-ment we have no words of praise to de-scribe aright. The addresses went to you by post. Do not let the press of good deeds wear upon your nerves. We cannot spare you. Should one come to our knowledge a will bear the want of the baby who can not walk any distance and the muta-who cannot stir abroad without him mind. I lay the plea bafore the os-stituency. What should be done with m cannot spare you.

Magazines to Give Away

"Thank you for the address of Mrs. J. S. B., from whom I received a pleasant letter. I sent a quantity of magazines and novels to her most interesting family. I still have 1914-15 magazines and one "I should count it a great pleasure is write to Mrs. R. S., who asks for chest letters. I am a working girl, but if I can help in any way I shall be delighted. On would it not be nice if we took your facta 'Do unto others as you would have them do unto you'? It is a beautiful though One can't always he so stiunted or more books to pass on, so let me have the address of Mrs. J. C. I will pay charges. I inclose a stamped and self-directed envelope as required. "J. F."

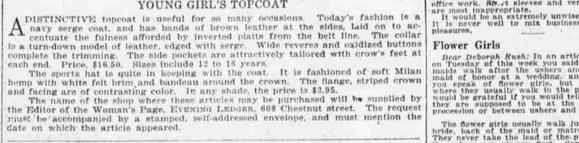
You have had the addresses you ask for before now. I print your letter for the delectation of other "true yokefel-One can't always be so situated as in help with momey, but all can send a letter of choser, a book, or something triging that will help the applicant. lows." They have a right to know of some of the works our unrivaled corps of colleagues carry on week after week. "WILLING" A veritable message of Christian char-ity, besides being the words of truth and soberness. We thank and bless you for Keep the magazines going. You will hear from more applicants for them when your letter is read. each one.

#### **Two Babies Want Carriage**

Writing for the Movies "I am interested in writing stories for the 'movies' and should like your advan-on how to go about it and where to sen the stories. I trust you will answer me "I wrote to you some time ago asking you to publish my request with regard to infant's clothing Please do not pub-lish it, as I am well supplied. A dear helper of the Corner has been most kind the stories. I trust you will answer ma-favorably. H. V. D<sup>\*</sup> "The woods ars full of" movie agencies Go to the headquarters of one of the big "shows" of this kind and inquire to when you should apply for information. Pre-haps readers may give you details that will be of value in your quest. and has sent me all I need for the baby

I also received a little crib from Mrs. J. G. I was glad to get it. I paid expressage, as she could send nothing from where she lived by freight. Now, should any one offer a baby cab or go-cart, may I





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### A CASE WHERE SURGERY WOULD AID EXOPHTHALMIC GOITRE

#### By WILLIAM BRADY, M. D.

"T HAVE had an exophthalmic goitre

for more than a year," writes a young woman. "Each physician I have consulted wants me to have the goitre operated on. I lost 42 pounds while at my worst, my heart beat was 148 per minute, my eyes protruded and my general appearance was changed. . I consulted various doctors, none of whom seemed to think he could do anything but operate, until I found my present doctor. He has brought my heart beat down to 74, my eyes look better and I have gained some flesh. I feel a great deal bet-

"To my chagrin, the doctor now urges an operation as a quicker means of cure. So far I have refused. He wants to tie the arteries, claiming this will retard the growth of the goitre, and that I would get well sconer. I do not know what to do. Is it advisable to have the arteries tied.

Is it advisable to have the arteries tied, or may I depend upon further rest to com-plete my cure?" There is but one honest answer we can give this young woman. By all means submit to the operation the doctor advises. Hasn't he demonstrated his fitness to judge of that? Hasn't he proved himself a good, conservative doc-tor? The correspondent does not lack faith in her doctor she merely feels an unreasonable antipathy to surgery. Such an operation as the doctor proposes to intreasonable antiparty to sargery. Such an operation as the doctor proposes to do is as sufe as lancing a boil or ex-tracting a tooth, and much less painful. He does not intend to remove part of the gland; he simply wishes to reduce its functional overactivity—the excessive activity of the thyroid produces the poi-son which causes all the symptoms. We have onnound surgery as a position

son which causes all the symptoms. We have opposed surgery as a routine treatment for goitre, because we are sure most cases of exophthalmic goitre re-cover in due time, provided the patient can enjoy the help of complete rest over a pariod of many months and good scien-tific medical care. But here is a case for surgery; the patient has had the best of treatment, apparently, for many months, yst is not well. If six months of skilftil medical treatment fails to produce a cure, then conservative surgery is always

medical treatment fails to produce a sure, then conservative surgery is always to be considered. It should be borne in mind that the undue prolongation of dynamic that the undue prolongation of dynamic that the undue prolongation of dynamic terms of the treatment of the term haither surgery nor anything else could rentor good health. They share of the failures charged to against surgery are really attributable in unreasonable processimation, in goirre as well as in various other serious con-ditions.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

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swar-Bardly. But the apparatus

Eye Tooth and Window Tooth ar anno it antracture of the true

Doctor Brady will answer in these columns proper questions on topics of medical interest and good health. Communications to him should be addressed as follows: Dr. William Brady, care of the Evening Ledger, 608 Chestnut Evening Ledger, 608 street, Philadelphia, Pa.

He is 40, and doesn't want to take any

chances of injuring his eyesight. Answer-No, but we have known ex-traction of a wisdom tooth to reduce a fairly intelligent human being to the level of the roaring beast for the time being.

#### Scrofula Is Tuberculosis

Kindly explain the difference between scrofula and tuberculosis, Answer-No difference. Scrofula in the older name.

"Dat Chicken Pie"

The man doesn't exist who can resist a well-made chicken ple. Here is the recipe: Dress and cut up the fowl as for frying; steam or boil until it is quite tender. When it is about half-done, sea-son with sait; lay the pleces in a baking dish, enough water to the stock to make about a pint of liquid. Thicken smooth with cold water and pour over the chicken. Make a goad biscuit dough, roll out to an inch in thickness, and cover the chicken with it. Brown in a moderate oven. inch in thickness, and cover the ci with it. Brown in a moderate oven.

#### What Are Sleeves?

An odd little "sleeve" on an evening gown, which halled straight from Paris, was made of tulie. That isn't odd, of was made of tulie. That isn't odd, of course, but the way the tulie was treated was odd enough. A double frill of the tulie was made to stand up-angel stylsconset the should erain up-angel style-across the should erain unbeam of traps. A narrow band of pansy-colored velvet marked the two frills, incidentally spread-ing them wide anart. This decoration crossed in the back, subpender effect, and that constituted the back of the bodice.

#### A Word to the Wise

A word to the wise Thisse changeable days, when a shower may could down from a clear sky and drench one—not to any anything about the havoc wrought to the new spring outfit—it is a good thing to have a light oflakin wrap. They may be as small and compact as one chooses, and can be fitted into a tiny parvel or a bag to match the coat. The latter is long coough to pro-text the entire costume. Colors include tan, gray, purple, green, navy and black.

Constant Alier? When the bills do. Falier? When the sun Quest:... of his glory Be the perfect one

is safe to say that every woman wants to know how. Some spend thousands annually in an endeavor to "look well"; others achieve a reputation for "smart-ness" on a few hundred-which is but another way of saying that dressing well is an art. It is an art with well-defined prin-

Not every woman does, although it

ciples. Consciously or unconsciously, the woman who invariably excites envy in the heart of her more dowdy sisters fol-lows these principles:

"How does she do it." the woman with a bank account will be heard to say of her neighbor of less fortunate finances. "I know positively that she has only \$200 for clothes and yet she goes everywhere and is always tastefully garbed."

The hasic rules for good dressing are so simple that it is strange so few women have mastered them. They might

he epitomized as follows: If you are tall and thin don't wear stripes that run up and down.

If you are short and fat, don't wear

The color of your eyes should be your faw ite shade. If they are blue, not a ve.y dominant blue, match them and see how they are intensified. If they are brown a brown freek or suit will make brown a brown frock or suit will make them seem all the browner. Next to the eyes, the hair is a good

color guide. Pastel women, that is those who are of

Pastel women, that is those who are or the delicate, fragile type, will be wise to wear the pastel neutral shades. Brilliant excite types may "go in for" Baket and Poiret with impunity. But these are broad generalizations.

Poiret with impunity. But these are broad generalizations. Every well-dressed woman knows that nothing no entitles here to that qualifying description of the choice of her raiment. This does not mean that she must be a frenk. It merely means that she regards herself as a law unto her-welf, to whom a general rule does not avery angle, tries this shade and then that . Ultimately she finds what she is iooking for—the color schemes that best with her and the lines that are particu-taries. If she is short waisted she discovers the data tangle her blouses should meet her kirts in order to overcome this de-fect. If she is long-waisted, she findses her look like a bad sailor at the end of a long voyage she eachews it—puts it be-hind her as though it were Satan binnself. In her secret soul she may cry ou for gorgeous startling effects, but if she is of the type that would resemble a Fill ander in them they are barmad. This is the secret of good freeming i to be distinctive without being freeking; to be distinctive without being freeking; to be up to the minute, but not alneed of it.

It. For the benefit of those women who feel that their sartorial problems are too much for them, the Fashion Expert of the Woman's Fage will answer questions on this subject. All letters should be writ-ten on one side of the paper only.

#### Graduation Frock

Dear Madam-i am about to start my anguiter a graduation trousanut and an us-decided what matorial to select for ser. It must be write, of course, Ba is and or a slight build. Can you give me any topset

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Material Shortage Toar Madam—I have four yards of check withing which tennot match. I want to make the sworth my while? The to the state of the trouble of mak-in tought of using black satin for the sleaves and somewhere on the skirt, but am at sea. These help ms. With the protect bourdant tendency in shirts practically four yards are required for a skirt. This would leave you nothing for the out in the were you, I would make in proference a smart suspender frock to be worn with a sheer white underblaus. Or you might use your material for an attractive lightweight topcat to be worn on horizon from the sheer white is smarter the sheet sheet the tendentum.

her several different colored sashes, to be worn later in the season for dances, perhaps.

Material Shortage

SOLVE SARTORIAL PROBLEMS

Freshing a Hat

Dear Madam-is there any way that I can freeher a black hemp sailor? I do not wish to change the shape, but may to stiften it. I do not want to spend any money on MARY S.

After brushing out all the dust thoroughly, moliston the hat with some gum arabic water, Lay a clean cloth over the brinn and press with a molerately warm iron. Stuff the crown with newspapers, molsten with the gum arabic water, put a cloth over it and press around it with the iron. After it is thoroughly dry, apply a black liquid such as is sold in the shops to make it look

#### Apple Green for Blonde

r Madam-I am going to make a d volle summer evening dress. Would ave the undersile of pale pink or pale The ground of the material is white are dainty resolude strewn over R. I blonds. BUSINESS GIRL.

blonds. HUBINESS GIRL, her of the colors you suggest are good, outd also use a turquoise blue to good But if you are not pais. I thick a te apple green would be the most charm-You will not, of course, have sleeves in nderslip. They should be transparent.

#### Blouse and Belt in One

Blouses are trimmed with taffeta gir-dies. These may be of the same shade as the georgette or taffeta that forms the blouse or of some contrasting shade. The real keynote of the fad is the attached girdle, a dainty taffeta affair designed to be worn with the dressy silk suit.

#### Loops Are Smart

Flat loops of satin or faille ribbon are used to trim bouffant skirts of taffeta now. These may be as wide as one pleases, and the loops are laid on in rows all around the hips. The effect is chie.



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Submit Your Dress Difficulties to Her-She's Here to

Tell You What to Wear and How to Wear It

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HERE'S A FASHION EXPERT TO