

## Hints and Advice on Social Forms

By MME. MERRI

### Queries From Pearl.

I am so anxious to know these things; will you help me? How should a girl act so that the boy will know that she would like his company home from church or a show? Is it proper for a girl to ride with a young man after a party, church or late at night? If a girl is in a strange town and has a boy friend there should she let him know she is there? Hope I haven't asked too much.

You may be sure that I will help you to the best of my ability, but I am afraid I cannot tell you how to get a boy's attention if he does not care to give it. It is a woman's privilege to be sought. Home is the place to go after an entertainment, unless with a party and chaperoned, and then a supper is permissible. It is perfectly proper to let your friends, both girls and boys, know when you are in their home city.

### Puzzling Questions.

Will you please tell me is it proper for a girl of fifteen to write to a boy of nineteen regularly? Should a girl ask a boy for his stickpin or ring, or will he give it to her if he wishes her to have it? Please tell me is it proper for a girl and boy to discuss another boy or girl, or both?

M. A.

As I have said so often, I think a girl of fifteen is too young to permit the attention of just one boy; still if the correspondence referred to is just a schoolboy and girl friendship I see no objection if the love element is left out. By no means ask a boy for any of his jewelry. It depends upon whether the discussion is friendly whether it is right or not. The less we talk personalities, the better.

### Reply to "A Bride-to-Be."

Your writing is good and legible and not at all too large. In marriage it is a question of love and congeniality more than age, and I should say it ought to be a happy match. Invitations are issued just the same for a church ceremony, and you ought to be able to invite everyone to the church. I should not send out "At Home" cards until you are back from abroad and know where you will be. Look in Webster's for the meaning of proper names; our space is too limited to answer questions that may be found elsewhere.

If you wish a book pertaining to weddings and their conduct please send me a self-addressed stamped envelope in care of the paper and I will be glad to tell you where you can get the desired information.

### Reply to "Faithful Reader."

Return the call and leave one of yours and two of your husband's cards, whether "he" is with you or not. You were perfectly right in accepting the invitation mentioned and you now may call in return for the hospitality extended. Napkins are

square and not trimmed with lace and insertion for ordinary use.

**Terms in Correspondence.**  
I would like some advice in corresponding with a boy. Should you write "Friend George" or "Dear George"? How should a boy write in corresponding with a girl?

ANXIOUS.

Do not say "Friend." Just the name, with "My dear" before it, or just "dear" is sufficient if you are both well acquainted, and the same rule applies when a boy is writing to a girl, only, unless very old friends, he should say "Miss Grace." In fact, I think it is always more dignified and reverential for a boy to say "Miss" in speaking of a young woman.

### Reply to "Lonesome."

You certainly ask a multitude of questions and your letter is too long to print, as space is so limited. For a girl of seventeen your writing is not very good. You can wear any color except purple or crimson, as they are both too strong for your pink cheeks. I should imagine you are pleasing in appearance and well-proportioned. A girl cannot be too particular in regard to the boys she goes with, and I should not worry. If I could not go with the very best I would be content until I could.

Have a white party dress with different colored slips and sashes.

### Concerning "At Home" Cards.

I expect to be married next month and would like your advice on the matter of "at home" cards. We are going to live in Portland, Ore, but cannot select a house until we reach there. Would it be better to have "At Home, Portland, Ore," which is rather indefinite, or to leave it out entirely? If "at home" cards are necessary, which is better, to have them engraved separately or on the invitation?

ANXIOUS.

Under the circumstances I should not issue "at home" cards until all settled in my new home, and then I would have a reception after I knew people, and send the cards to everyone in my home town with address upon them.

MADAME MERRI.

## Fashion's Fancies

Shot taffeta trimming is a feature of new spring hats.

White kid gloves are extensively worn with dressy costumes upon all occasions.

Coming in for spring are the fascinating little blazer jackets of striped flannel or serge with notched collars and natty pockets.

The one piece dress seems to have come to stay, for all the new frocks are made in this manner, even though they boast belts or girdles.

The fichu shape so much in evidence in gowns, is out in little fur neckpieces that cross over the front as quaintly as the lace fixings of a matinee.

The belted peasant blouse and a loosely woven Cossack crash are witnesses of the Russian influence, which will be greatly felt in the world of dress the coming season.

The height of simplicity is apparent in the fastening of lingerie frocks, but the simplicity is of that intricate sort that is hard to define and still more difficult to copy.

## Lingerie Frock



Already there are appearing demi-season hats draped with two colors of malines, and this mode of trimming bids fair to be a spring favorite. The hat pictured here is of black milan with a brim facing of velvet. The malines folds and loops are of white, over black, a black and gold ornament holding the loops in place. The blouse is a new white lingerie model with touches of black in net folds and buttons.

## STORIES OF CAMP AND WAR

### STORIES OF "FIGHTING BOB"

Interesting Tales of Famous Character While on Land and at Sea—Pistol Saves Legs.

"Fighting Bob" Evans was sent to Valparaiso, Chile, in 1891, with the little cruiser Yorktown to protect American interests. He encountered hostility from the start. There had been an insurrection and certain political refugees found asylum on the Yorktown. The Chilean government demanded their surrender and Evans refused to give them up. What happened was told afterward by Evans in an interview.

"The commanding officer at Valparaiso of the Chilean forces requested the admiral commanding one of the European squadrons on that station to say to me that unless these refugees were surrendered they would follow my ship to sea with three cruisers and an ironclad nearly four times her size and as soon as we got outside the marine league they would leave to and demand the surrender of the fugitives.

"I told the admiral I would not surrender the men. He informed me if the three big Chilean ships attacked me my little Yorktown would not last thirty minutes. In reply I requested the admiral to say to the officer commanding the Chilean squadron that while my little ship might not last more than thirty minutes, 'she will make a lot of trouble while she is afloat.' I steamed out of Valparaiso bay the next noon with all my refugees on board and no ship of the Chilean squadron followed me."

The Yorktown was made the target for Chilean torpedo practice and Evans himself was nearly mobbed when he went ashore. He cleared his ship for action and notified the authorities that if they didn't protect him he would protect himself. They protected him.

How Evans gained the sobriquet of "Fighting Bob" is a mooted question.



Evans Whipped Out a Revolver.

One writer has dug up a story of his Annapolis days, which credits him with having gained the nickname then.

According to this version, when the youth entered the academy he took with him a framed copy of the Lord's prayer, a gift of his mother, who told him to hang it over his bed. Rules forbade decorations in the rooms. Evans calmly ignored the rules. An inspector told him to take down the prayer. Evans promptly swore he would smash the face of the first man who touched it. The inspector referred the matter to the commandant, who took it up with the secretary of the navy. Evans wrote home about it. It got in the papers. An indignation meeting was held in the town. A special order allowing the prayer to remain was the result. And it was "Fighting Bob" after that.

Evans, in the Civil war, led a charge of marines on Fort Fisher. He was wounded in both legs and left dying on the beach within range of the Confederate guns. He asked a companion, hiding behind a sand dune, to drag him to safety. The companion declined to risk his life. Evans whipped out a revolver. The marine took the lesser of the risks.

Next day the doctor decided to amputate his legs. Evans again brought the revolver into play and the surgeon changed his mind.

What Evans told the surgeon is declared to have been a classic in its line.

He concluded by saying: "These are my legs and by the great horn spoon, I'm going to keep them." He did.

### Fixing It.

"Oh, dear, do you have to go to war? Maybe the 'enemy' will kill you," said a tearful sweetheart at parting.  
"I'll fix that, love; I'll be the enemy."

### Hospital-ity.

An officer who had been exchanged from Libby was jokingly asked if he met with much hospitality at Richmond:  
"Oh, yes," he replied; "I was in the hospital most of the time."

## INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

(By E. O. SELLERS, Director of Evening Department, The Moody Bible Institute of Chicago.)

### LESSON FOR MARCH 31.

#### REVIEW LESSON FIRST QUARTER.

#### Suggestions for Busy Teachers.

A good way in which to present a review of the lessons for the first quarter of the year 1912 would be to select the best person possible to act as leader and then to have either twelve classes, or that many selected groups (individuals may be utilized) and have each present the main thought of each of the twelve lessons.

Take the first lesson—let some elderly man speak for the character of Zacharias the priest—let him tell of the faithful discharge of his temple duties and while thus occupied of meeting the angel Gabriel with his startling message which was a challenge to Zacharias' faith. Then for the second lesson let some mother tell of the incidents of the birth of John the Baptist, of the rejoicing of friends and neighbors and the hymn of Zacharias who received his speech as soon as he had testified to God's will and showed his belief.

As for lesson three, let some child briefly state the facts only, or the birth of Jesus, I. e., read Luke 2:8-15, and this to be followed by some music suggestive of the angelic hosts.

In lesson four we revert to the temple service again at the dedication of Jesus. It would be very appropriate to have the superintendent of the Cradle Roll at this juncture to go through the service of receiving a baby for the Cradle Roll such as is frequently performed, keeping in mind the main fact of the lesson.

Now let three men enter the room, dressed in costume if desired, and recite either the necessary scripture verses or some poetry that will convey to all the idea of the visit of the wise men to Jerusalem in search of the child Jesus and that they found him not in Herod's palace, but in lowly Bethlehem and there presented their gifts and worshiped him.

For the sixth lesson, let a twelve-year-old boy having a good presence and strong speaking voice recite Luke 2:41-50.

#### Avoid Involved Questions.

Let the pastor of the church or some other clergyman tell of the prophecy of Isaiah and of John's fulfilling the same as he preached out in the country warning the people to avoid the wrath of God and to show by their righteous living the fruit of the lives that had repented of their evil ways. Emphasize, however, that John's greatest work (and our's as well) was to point men to Jesus the Lamb of the world.

In a review such as we are now conducting we must avoid the involved questions and only present the great facts of the baptism of Jesus; the witness of John, the presence of the Holy Spirit and God's audible approval of those silent years in Nazareth. This is the eighth lesson.

The ninth lesson has to do with the call of the first disciples. For this five boys might be selected. Let the leader recite Mark 1:14, 15, "Andrew" verses 17 and 18. Now let "James" take verse 19 then one (Simon Peter) recite verse 16 and "John his brother" verse 20. The leader can recite verses 21 to 26 and all together verses 27 and 28.

A physician would be an appropriate person to present lesson ten. Let him sketch the picture briefly of "all the city" gathered about Peter's door at the end of the day, the sick being healed.

Some busy business man ought to depict the story of "Jesus teaching in Capernaum," lesson eleven.

Emphasize team play and illustrate by a modern miracle if there be sufficient time. Jesus the daily friend and his interest in home life is the heart of the twelfth lesson.

#### Must Drill Carefully.

Of course care must be taken not to let any one lesson consume too much time else the whole will be much too long. This means careful drill and presentation before review Sunday.

If a written review is desired so frame the questions that the least efficient scholar may have an answer, I. e., let your question suggest the answer as far as possible. The success of a written review will depend upon the previous work of the teachers. If this suggested program is interspersed with singing, avoid singing all the verses and unnecessary instrumental preludes and interludes. At the close let the leader drill the school upon the twelve subjects.

1. The Birth of John the Baptist Foretold.
2. The Birth of John the Baptist.
3. The Birth of Jesus.
4. The Presentation in the Temple.
5. The Wise Men Led by the Star.
6. The Boy Jesus in the Temple.
7. The Ministry of John the Baptist.
8. The Baptism and Temptation of Jesus.
9. The Call of the First Disciples.
10. Jesus the Healer.
11. The Paralytic Forgiven and Healed.
12. Feasting and Fasting.

## OLD AND NEW WORLD BRIEFS FOR THE BUSY

Roosevelt replied to Taft in a signed statement, and declared that the President's friends have blocked the passage of preferential primary bills, which he (Taft) says he favors.

Numerous strikes and general restlessness over wage schedules were reported from the mill districts of New England; weavers walked out in Lawrence; disorder occurred in Warren.

The Ohio Republican County committee chairmen, at a meeting in Columbus, endorsed President Taft and renewed the pledge of the state convention of 1910 to support his candidacy for President.

The New York State commission in lunacy reported to Governor Dix that 8,000 insane aliens are in the state hospitals and that 1,448 have been deported since 1905. The commission recommended an amendment to the immigration laws.

Jules Vedrines, the French aviator, was beaten in the election for member of the Chamber of Deputies. Vedrines conducted his campaign in an aeroplane and at one time offered his opponent his entire salary as deputy to act as his private secretary.

#### THE MARKETS.

(New York Wholesale Prices.)  
MILK.—The wholesale price is 3 3/4 c. per quart in the 26c. zone or \$1.81 per 40-quart can, delivered in New York.

Butter.  
Creamery, specials ..... 31 1/2 @  
Extras ..... 31 @  
Firsts ..... 29 1/2 @ 30 1/2 @  
Seconds ..... 28 1/2 @ 29 @  
Thirds ..... 26 @ 27 1/4 @  
Held creamery specials ..... 28 1/2 @ 29 @  
Firsts ..... 27 @ 28 @  
Seconds ..... 25 1/2 @ 26 1/2 @  
State dairy, finest ..... 30 @  
Good to prime ..... 27 @ 28 @  
Common to fair ..... 23 @ 25 @

Cheese.  
State, whole milk, held ..... 19 @  
White, specials ..... 19 @  
White, average, fancy ..... 18 1/2 @ 18 3/4 @  
Colored, average fancy ..... 18 1/2 @ 18 3/4 @  
State, whole milk, winter make ..... 16 @ 17 1/2 @  
Daisies, all and earlier, best ..... 19 @

Eggs.  
State, Pa., and nearby, hen-ery white, fancy, large, new laid ..... 25 @  
State, Pa., and nearby, selected white, fair to good ..... 22 @ 25 @  
Gathered, broken mixed colors, 2 1/2 @ 2 1/2 @  
Brown henery, fancy ..... 22 @ 22 1/2 @  
Western, gathered, white ..... 22 @ 24 @  
Dirties ..... 19 @ 20 @  
Duck eggs, Gallegos, per doz ..... 33 @ 36 @  
Duck eggs, Ky. and Tenn. ..... 33 @ 34 @  
Duck eggs, far southern ..... 28 @ 32 @  
Duck eggs, western ..... 34 @ 35 @  
Goose eggs ..... 35 @ 35 @

Live Poultry.  
Chickens, via express, per lb. .... 13 @  
Chickens, prime, via freight ..... 12 @  
Fowls, via express ..... 17 @ 17 1/2 @  
Fowls, southern ..... 16 1/2 @  
Fowls, poor to fair ..... 16 @ 16 1/2 @  
Roasters, per lb. .... 16 @ 16 1/2 @  
Turkeys, heavy, per lb. .... 19 @  
Turkeys, toms ..... 19 @  
Ducks, per lb. .... 17 @  
Geese, per lb. .... 9 @ 9 1/2 @  
Guinea, per pair ..... 6 @ 6 1/2 @  
Pigeons, per pair ..... 6 @ 6 1/2 @

Vegetables.  
Artichokes, per drum ..... 6.00 @ 9.00 @  
Brussels sprouts, per quart ..... .05 @ .15 @  
Beans.  
Florida, per basket ..... 1.00 @ 2.50 @  
Beets, old, per barrel ..... 1.75 @ 2.00 @  
Barruda, per crate ..... 5.00 @ 5.50 @  
N. O., per 100 bunches ..... 3.00 @ 4.00 @  
Carrots.  
New Orleans, per 100 bunches 2.50 @ 4.00 @  
Old washed and unwashed per bbl or bag ..... 1.50 @ 2.25 @  
Cabbages.  
Red, per ton ..... 25.00 @ 35.00 @  
Red, per bbl ..... 1.75 @ 2.00 @  
Danish seed, per ton ..... 50.00 @ 55.00 @  
Florida, new per crate ..... 3.25 @ 3.75 @  
Fla., new red, per crate ..... 2.50 @ 3.25 @  
Cal., per crate ..... 3.00 @ 4.00 @  
Chicory, per bbl ..... 2.25 @ 3.75 @  
Endive, French, per lb. .... 14 @ 15 @  
Espagnols, Fla., per box or basket ..... 2.00 @ 2.50 @  
Escarol, N. O., per bbl ..... 2.50 @ 4.00 @  
Florida, per basket ..... 1.50 @ 2.50 @  
Horseshoe, per 100 bunches ..... 3.00 @ 4.50 @  
Kale, Virginia, per barrel ..... 6.00 @ 9.00 @  
Kohlrabi, N. O., per 100 lbs. .... 3.00 @ 5.00 @  
Lettuce, per basket ..... 2.00 @ 4.50 @  
Per barrel ..... 75 @ 125 @  
Shallots, N. O., per barrel ..... 4.00 @ 6.00 @  
Spinach Virginia, per bbl ..... 1.00 @ 3.00 @  
Squash, old Hubbard, per bbl. .... 1.00 @ 1.25 @  
Marrow, old, bbl. or crate ..... 1.25 @ 1.50 @  
Fla., new white, per box ..... 1.25 @ 2.00 @  
Turnips, Rutabaga, per bbl ..... 1.00 @ 2.00 @  
White per barrel ..... 1.25 @ 1.75 @  
Tomatoes, Florida, per carrier ..... 50 @ 75 @  
Watercress, per 100 bunches ..... 1.50 @ 2.00 @

Hothouse.  
Beet tops per box ..... 1.00 @ 1.25 @  
Cauliflower, No. 1, per doz ..... 1.00 @ 1.25 @  
No. 2 per dozen ..... .75 @ .90 @  
Culls, per dozen ..... 4.00 @ 6.00 @  
Lettuce, per strap ..... 1.00 @ 2.00 @  
Mushrooms, 4-lb. baskets ..... 1.00 @ 1.80 @  
Buttons, 4-lb baskets ..... 75 @ 1.00 @  
Mint, per dozen bunches ..... 40 @ 60 @  
Fennel, per 100 bunches ..... 2.50 @ 3.50 @  
Rhubarb, per doz bunches ..... 4 @ 9 @  
Per bundle ..... 50 @ 75 @  
Tomatoes, per lb ..... 10 @ 25 @

Potatoes.  
Bermuda, No. 1, late crop, bbl. .... 6.00 @ 6.75 @  
Bermuda, No. 2 late crop, per bbl ..... 5.00 @ 5.50 @  
Virginia, late crop, per bbl ..... 3.50 @ 4.00 @  
Virginia, late crop, per bskt ..... 1.25 @ 1.50 @  
Florida, new, per bbl ..... 6 @ 7 @  
Florida, new, per bskt ..... 1 @ 1.5 @  
Cuban, new, per crate ..... 1.25 @ 1.75 @  
State, per 100 lbs ..... 3.50 @ 3.75 @  
State, per bag ..... 3.35 @ 3.55 @  
Maine, per 100 lbs ..... 3.75 @ 4.00 @  
Maine, per bag ..... 3.50 @ 3.75 @  
European, No. 1, per 168-lb bag ..... 2.75 @ 3.00 @  
European, undergrades, per 168-lb bag ..... 1.50 @ 2.50 @  
Sweets, Jersey, No. 1, per basket ..... 1.25 @ 1.90 @  
Sweets southern, per bbs ..... 2.00 @ 3.00 @

Apples.  
Greening ..... 2.25 @ 4.00 @  
Spitzenberg ..... 2.25 @ 5.00 @  
Spy ..... 2.25 @ 4.50 @  
Tine Sap ..... 2.00 @ 4.00 @  
King ..... 2.25 @ 4.00 @  
Baldwin ..... 2.25 @ 4.00 @  
Ben Davis ..... 1.25 @ 3.00 @  
York ..... 3.25 @ 3.00 @  
Gala ..... 2.75 @ 3.25 @  
Canaan ..... 1.00 @ 2.00 @

Spot Markets at a Glance.  
Wheat No. 2 red, elev ..... 1.04 1/2 @  
Oats, standard ..... .50 @  
Flour, spring patent, bbl ..... 5 @ 49 @  
Corn, steamer ..... 73 1/2 @  
Flaxseed, spot ..... 2.07 @  
Lard, prime, 100 lbs ..... 37 @  
Tallow, city, hnds ..... 96 @  
Pork, mess, bbl ..... 17.50 @  
Coffee, Rio, No. 7, lb ..... 14 1/2 c @  
Tea, Formosa, lb ..... 14 @  
Sugar, fine gran., lb ..... 5.60 c @  
Butter, creamery ..... 31 1/2 @  
Cheese, specials ..... 19 @  
Eggs, fresh ..... 21 1/4 @  
Cotton ..... 10.65 @

Tobacco.  
Havana, E. D. ..... .50 @  
Conn. wrapper ..... .60 @  
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## CRITICAL TIME OF WOMAN'S LIFE

From 40 to 50 Years of Age. How It May Be Passed in Safety.

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