

There is an invalid woman whose neighbor has for years, at intervals of a few weeks, bought her a little pot of whatever growing flowers are in season.

Watching flowers grow is a constant joy to a sick person, and she says this choice of plant is so much wiser than

a bunch of cut flowers.

Remember this the next time you are buying flowers for the sick.—Indianapolis News.

A Gracious Queen.

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Just before Queen Alexandra left England on her recent continental trip she received a letter from Martha Massey, a servant girl who was lying ill in St. Luke's Hospital, London. The girl wrote that she was dying of consumption, and the doctors had only given her a few weeks to live, and above all things she wanted to see the Queen before she died. Alexandra was so touched by the letter that she went to see her and took a present of went to see her and took a present of fruit and flowers to her.

Envelope Guards Against Meddlers. Thieves and meddlers will have a hard time with a new envelope, made in Paris, if they try to seal it up again, after they have opened it, so that it will not have the appearance of having been tampered with. It is really two envelopes. Each is of thin paper. One is a preserved when the really two envelopes. Each is of thin paper. One is a pronounced blue, the other lighter in color and different in texture. Each has a gummed flap. First the letter is placed in the dark-blue envelope, which is slightly smaller than the other. This is not sealed, but is placed in the larger envelope and the inner flap brought outside and the inner flap brought outside and gummed down on the outside covergummed down on the outside covering. The outer flap is much larger than the inner flap and reaches down to a good-sized star-shaped opening in the outer envelope through which shows the inner envelop. So, when the outer flap is sealed, it sticks not only to the outer envelope, but also, because of the opening, to the inner one. The letter is thus doubly sealed.

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Women Swimmers.

Of the thirty-four starters in the life-saving corps endurance swim from the Brooklyn Bridge to Coney Island, the two women swimmers went the whole thirteen miles, though most of the men quit. One of the women had never swum further than two miles befores but she finished from Several.

fore, but she finished fresh. Several of the men collapsed after finishing. Swimming is vigorous exercise. If Swimming is vigorous exercise. It the water is not too cold, it is the best kind of exercise. The chest mus-cles are developed and their strength helps the lungs. The abdomen and back are strengthened. The support of the water lessens injurious internal

en, but women have more vitality than men. In swimming, the chill of the men. In swimming, the chill of the water tells more on a man than on a woman. The same feminine quality that enables women to be superior to men in a dentist's chair helped Miss Gallup and Miss Hurst keep cheerful for five hours in the ocean.—New York World.

The Eldest Daughter.

The task laid upon the shoulders of the eldest daughter in homes where the children are many and the in-come small, is sometimes an unduly

The others' delinquencies are so of The others' delinquencies are so of-ten visited on her. She, while a little one herself, is blamed for not keeping the others out of mischief, and warn-ed that she must always set a good example. The governess is shocked if a younger one does better in any-thing, and when she comes home from school people seem to expect in spite school people seem to expect, in spite of proverbs, an old head on young

houlders.
Other girls are thinking of pleasure; there are duties waiting for her—duties that are often difficult to do, because she has to the mother's place without mother's authority.

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Alice everywhere. "Oh, dear! Am I never to have any time of my own?"
It's a difficult post, my dear, but it is one of the finest in the world if you do your best to fill it properly. For, says Home Chat, with all these calls upon you, how can you help developing into a capable woman if you try? You have the choice, you can chafe against it all and learn nothing, or you can put your back against it, and learn more than you ever learned at school of helpfulness and sympathy.

Divinely Tall.

Yesterday was marked by the number of tall individuals met in a brief stroll "downtown." Generally the average height is maintained and extremes are too few to attract atten tremes are too lew to attract atten-tion; but it happened that glants were abroad, and the observing person took notes. Any man six feet tall with an inch or two to spare is conspicuous, but when a woman towers to that height she is an object of comment, no height she is an object of comment, not only with her own sex, but with the other, gallant as it may be. And yes-terday there were three of her. At first it was imagined these three "di-vinely tall" young women were the same, until chance brought two of them side by side at a silk counter, and then it was wondered if each was and then it was wondered if each was not consciously proud of her stature, shades.

Linem and pique coat and salte suits trimmed with wide bands of lace are among the smartest walking suits.

Lace insertion borders the hem of the skirt as well as the edges of the coat and is seldom less than four inches wide.

The classical Recamier scarf wound twice just below the bust and left to hang in loose knotted ends at one side is one of the popular draperies.

No longer is plain stitching the principal decoration of the tailor-made coat. Whether it be of cloth, linen, or silk, it is trimmed either with braid or with straps or bands of different materials.

With some of the handsomest lingerie and lace robes seen at fashionable restaurants there have been diminutive little bodices which seem to be made up of a draped sash, veiled with white lace.

Soutache braid enters into the composition of the new hats as a decoration. Many of the latest models show a tam crown braided in rows, completed by a brim of satin, and are to be had in black and colors.

Of course, taupe is an unnatural color for flowers, but we have them shaded in a single cluster from black to the lightest possible shade, and they blend beautifully with other flow-ers and materials in the soft, old shades.

"Let the Almighty Steer."
God hath a thousand keys to open a thousand doors for the deliverance of His own when it has come to the greatest extremity. Let us be faithful and care for our own part, which is to do and suffer for Him. and lay God's part on Himself, and leave it there; duties are ours, events are the Lord's.

When our faith goes to meddle with events, and to hold a court (if I may so speak) upon God's providence, and beginneth to say, "How wilt Thou do this or that?" we lose ground, we have nothing to do there; It is our part to let the Almighty exercise His own office and steer His own helm.—
Samuel Rutherford.

derstanding of military men or military necessities, is common to all who wear a uniform, and, irksome as it is at first, there is no way except to accustom one's self to it, as the eels do to being skinned until they are said to enjoy it.—(Army and

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trouble. Get brass screw hocks and arrange them on the lower edges of the crosswise panels of the door. Screw larger hooks at each end of the panels and stretch door springs-atfached to them across the panels. The distance of the spring from the bottom of the panel varies according to the size of the covers. The hooks for the springs for the large covers should be put about the middle of the panel and for the smallest covers quite near the bottom.—New York quite near the bottom.-New York

The great need of the legal frater-The great need of the legal fraternity is not professions but practice,
declares the New York World. Its
honor and purity will never be so
well safeguarded by irreproachable
canons of ethics as by the merciless
pillorying of practitioners who under
the privileges of their positions sack
to subvert the law. What the legal
profession most needs is the courage
to expose and punish its own rogites.