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YOUR ASSISTANCE REQUESTED QUESTIONS OF THE HOUR AN-SWERED

ing our local paper is published, and is read and digested with the noon meal. This is a rigid law of the town, and no citizen is expected to mingle with his fellows on a Friday afternoon without first having mastered the gems of gossip contained n our great family journal. Any woman invited out for Friday tea Any woman invited out for Friday tea may be obliged to skimp on the dish-washing in order to be up-to-date in a literary sense. But, having mastered THE ACADIAN she merges into society, her loins girt about, her mind at rest know-ing full well that in the snappiest circle she can hold her own. "The hostess having seated her guests the first formalities by charging brightly into the arena with 'I see by THE ACA-out that the Methodists are holding an other tea.' (She has wisely refrained) Any woman invited out for Friday tea and I have begun my task by addressing

othe- tea.' (She has wisely refrained from inviting any Methodist ladies.) way those people expect us to pat-The ronize all their teas is a scandal.

"From then on things go merrily and one hears blurry snatches such as I see Mrs. Jones has an ad for for plane pupils. They must be sort of up against it. Did you notice all her qualifications Whatever in the world do all those letters stand for I wonder-every moral thing but the O. B. E.

"Now, why do you suppose Mrs Thomas is advertising for a maid? What does she do with all her time, anyway Bill says she is downtown every blessed morning of her life before 10 o'clock. It does seem to me -

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does seem to me — "So the Browns have left for the West! Now will you just tell us where all the money comes from? The butcher business must certainly pay. Do you a big motor tour-though they do say that the bank is hounding Bill Eversma every minute. Well, some people don't worry, no matter what.'

"Oh, and wasn't that a great editorial on the 'Chronic Uplifters.' The men downtown are betting that six of our leading citizens will withdraw their subscriptions immediately. They say our editor is going to pack his trusty bowie knife till the storm is over. 'Ware the uplifter.

" 'And so our interesting invalid, Mrs. Smithers is in hospital again—another operation, my dear—great complications. Really, she'll soon have her interior entirely dismantled-that lady. Pity she wouldn't have.

'But did you see that Mrs. Eph Billings has had another baby. Yes, that is the woman with the dozen assorted ones already. We really should do some thing for her. Now, I have three baby shirts that I had meant to hang on toits safer, you know; but in a case like that-

" 'Couldn't we get together and send a little parcel through some friend? " ' And that other poor woman out in Squaw Coulee died after all. They say she put up such a fight! Who wouldn't with three children to leave behind. To be sure, her husband is a Mason. Som one must page the Eastern Stars.' "We are pretty small, of course, in

our interests-pretty contemptible, often. But very human always. "And those really deserving of help

and sympathy usually find it in liberal measure, just from fellow townspeople. "The small town paper 'puts us wise' to everything. And the really initiated Main Streeter can discern chasms of tragedy, high light of humor or blo

conflict between good and evil. onflict between good in ames have undred and seventy five names have in my books. \$417.00 has been enrolled in my books. "At Home—Fridays" Do you know "At Home—Fridays" Do you know "At Home—Fridays" Do you know "May he ladies make Friday their "At Home" day? Neither do I. However, here is the way Elizabeth Elliott figures it out, and, being one herself, she ought the mether is the way for the mether is the man who was asked, and who here mether is the way for the mether is t I am the man who was asked, and who good people who read this letter respond to know. Anyway, it is good: "The really fininshed hostess of our town," says she, "always plans her teas for Friday. Why? Because Friday mom-ing our local paper is published, and is read and digested with the noon meal



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