

# Every Reader Will Find Cynthia Grey's Column An Interesting Miscellany

# FOR THE WOMAN OF TODAY

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## "A Lover Might Put Some Sense In His Letters—Even If It Only Be Poetic Sense," Pleads Billie Burke.

BY BILLIE BURKE.

The man or woman who takes the time to write a graceful little note which acknowledges a favor is the one who has been well brought up. It is easy to write letters of congratulations—for most people like to say pleasant things to others. Never, however, write "congratulations" to a bride; only the groom is to be congratulated. You may wish the bride happiness or offer any other felicitation that you wish.

It is usual to use the word "regret" when you refuse an invitation and more courteous to add, if possible, the reason why you cannot accept the invitation. After having accepted an invitation to dinner, only your own severe illness or the death of some one of your immediate family should keep you from filling your obligation. Letters of introduction depend upon whom you are introducing. You may, to an intimate friend, say that you "expect Miss —" to find in the one who presents this an addition to her circle of friends, etc., etc. Unless you know the one to whom you are writing very well do not talk too much about yourself and your own affairs. Remember "things" are better subjects for letters than "people" unless you know that your friend is mutually interested in the person of whom you write.

If you would stop a little to write the kind thoughts one thinks to absent friends, while they are absent, it could be made happy by them, it would make life happier for most of us. We say or write too few of these appreciative words, and then, when it is impossible for them to be heard, we say them over the soulless clay of the dead.

Many persons shrink from writing letters to the bereaved or grief-stricken. They fear to be intrusive, but anyone who has suffered will remember with what appreciation letters of real sympathy are received. Longfellow wrote to a friend in trouble:

"Words cannot reach your sorrow,  
I can only press your hand in silence."

Ruskin once wrote:

"I feel too much sympathy with  
you to be able to write of it."

Some one has said that immediately one falls in love one becomes a blithering idiot, and when we read the love letters of even the most wonderful



As Billie Burke Sees Love-Smitten Swains.

men and women of history one can still hold to that opinion. When writing a love letter it is well to remember that words are the least trustworthy mode of expressing one's amorous emotions.

The lover is apt to be over-enthusiastic, but he should at least put

a little sense in his letters—even if it be poetic sense.

A letter is a written conversation and should be simple, cordial, unaffected; above all, get into the habit of writing—it is one of the greatest and most charming of accomplishments.

write for a little advice.

1. Could I wear a short cream serge coat with a brown velvet dress?  
2. What can I do for my hair? It is very greasy, and does not seem to grow at all. It becomes greasy just a few days after washing. How do you "dry shampoo" it?  
3. Will you please give me an inexpensive recipe for candy?  
4. What do you think of my writing?

5. I am 5 feet 3 inches tall. How long should my dresses be?  
6. I am 15 years old and weigh about 113 lbs. Am I well proportioned or too stout?  
7. Are the "peg-top" coats going to be in style long?

8. I remain, Q. T. A.—If by "short" you mean three-quarter length, the skirt is worn with the brown dress very nicely; but if it is a suit coat it would look a little out of place, I fear.

2. Try shampooing it with a little of this lotion: Cologne ¼ oz., tincture of green soap, 1 oz., borax ½ oz., alcohol 4 ozs. Apply to the hair roots with a small brush, then shampoo thoroughly with the fingers. Afterwards, be sure to rinse the scalp thoroughly.

3. This week several nice recipes for Christmas candy will appear. Watch for them.

4. It is fairly good.  
5. To the tops of your shoes.  
6. You weigh a little heavy for your age and height, I think.  
7. During this spring and next autumn, any way.

## PRETTY THINGS MADE FROM HANDKERCHIEFS

"What in the world am I going to do with five dozens of handkerchiefs? I never have dolls, and I cannot use more than a day!" exclaimed a little woman who was straightening up her dressing table. Well, if you are in the same quandary, here are some ideas for using the pretty squares. An embroidered handkerchief can be made into a yoke for a little child's dress. Mark out around the center a neck line, which you can transfer from any pattern. Cut a line from this to one point, which will be the back. These edges will have to be altered slightly before hemming. They should be hemmed with a straight band or a tape to prevent any stretching of their bias folds.

**CAPS AND BIBS.**  
By turning an embroidered edge back into a flap, the beginning of a little cap for baby will be made. The fullness at the lower edge should be gathered and sewn to a strip of fine beading, through which ribbon for the ties should be run.

Bibs are easily made by using the pointed end of a hand-embroidered handkerchief and cutting the square so as to be the correct size. The sides can then be made of separate panels of the embroidered edges, with strips of fine insertion between, whipped to the linen edges by hand. Join lace beading at the lower point and make it pass around the body under the arms, buttoning at the back. This done away with pins and holds down the bib in place.

Very effective, blue-and-white striped sheer linen blouse was made distinctive at the cost of two handkerchiefs—white, with blue embroidered borders. One was used for a pleated jabot in front and the other formed turn-back cuffs on the sleeves. The

blues were perfectly matched. The handkerchief raised the blouse to the plane of an expensive importation. Any color could be used, and in this day of the attractive embroidered kerchief it is not difficult to get. Little cases for other handkerchiefs can be made of embroidered squares, enriched with lace medallions, strips of insertion or edges of lace. Generally a linen handkerchief is sheer enough to show a pale blue or pink lining which can be made of silk or cotton wadding, which is sprinkled with sachet. The envelope shape is best for this.

**A DAINTY PILLOW.**  
A handkerchief pillow made of fine embroidered linen squares and cluny or valenciennes lace makes an exquisite gift for a baby. There are many arrangements. The use of a whole handkerchief on the diagonal, with the four corners of the diagonal each corner and joined to the center line by insertion, is a very easy idea. In the center an embroidered initial surrounded by a wreath makes the pillow doubly beautiful. The back of this can be the same or made of plain linen.

Handkerchiefs for dainty workbags, over, contrasting silk linings make lovely gifts for the needlewoman. They can be cut in halves, joined on the short ends to bands of lace and the lower edges gathered to square, circular or oval cardboard, which is covered with the same silk that forms the lining. Ribbon to match the silk should form the drawing strings and bows. Another arrangement is the cutting of a square in the diagonal and making a band by arranging the points in alternation, and sewing down. Strips of lace between the edges of these triangles make a vandyke effect that is lovely. Line the bag with silk or washable fabric and sew the form to silk-covered bottom. Fit as you would any embroidery bag. There! Is this enough to use some of the pretty squares in your bureau drawer?

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## The Cook-Book

**Scalloped Onions.**  
Boil six or eight onions till tender, cooking throughout without a cover. If the onions are inclined to be strong parboil for three minutes in salted water. Separate the parts with a fork. Arrange in a buttered baking dish in layers with buttered crumbs. Make a nicely-seasoned white sauce with milk or water and almost cover the onions. Finish with buttered crumbs and brown in the oven.

**Fried Parsnips.**  
Cut parsnips, after scraping, into quarters. If the heart is woody, remove it. Cook the parsnips in salted water till tender. Drain and cut into pieces several inches long. Roll each in corn meal and fry a good brown in beef dripping or bacon fat.

**Hungarian Chicken.**  
Clean and truss a fat chicken. Stuff with bread crumbs, onions and thyme, held together with yolks of eggs, when they are cheap. The slices of lemon and salt pork on the breast and wing well in oiled paper. Put into enough white stock to cover, add an onion, a clove and two or three sprigs of parsley minced fine. Cover and cook in the oven for an hour. Strain the gravy, add one cup of hot cream, some butter, if needed, the yolk of an egg and enough paprika to color the sauce pink. Pour over the chicken and make a border around the platter of nicely-cooked rice.

**Caramel Sweet Potatoes.**  
Slice boiled sweet potatoes, dip them into melted butter and then into granulated sugar. Place in a hot oven until the coating of brown caramel is formed.

**Creamed Oysters.**  
One pint of oysters, one pint of oyster sauce, one tablespoonful flour. Salt and pepper to taste. Let cream come to a boil, mix flour with milk and stir into boiling cream. Let oysters come

## Advertiser Patterns



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## LOCAL

## NATIONAL COUNCIL PUBLISH YEAR-BOOK

Very comprehensive indeed is the year book of the National Council of Women just issued, and which contains a full report of the twentieth annual meeting of the National Council held at Montreal in May last. In glancing over the pages of the year book the reader cannot fail to be impressed with the scope and the importance of the work of the National Council and its affiliated societies. Efforts to obtain improved legislation in the laws affecting women and children, better sanitary and health laws, closer inspection of factories and shops, and measures for social and moral reforms of many kinds, are included in the aims and objects of this organization of women. The membership of the National Council includes women from coast to coast of the Dominion. There are 31 Local Councils in Canada, and many in the United States, among the latter being the Royal Victoria Order of Nurses, Aberdeen Association, Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire, Women's Institutes, Canadian Women's Press Club, Women's Canadian Club, Y. W. C. A., Canadian Suffrage Association, Women's Art Association, and many others.

## ENJOYABLE RECITAL

The following pupils took part at the recital at Conservatory Hall last Saturday afternoon: Alan Brown, Marian Grant, Barbara Daly, Jean Wyatt, Margaret Seachard, Alinda Nugent, Rowena Weld, Margaret Murray, Ruth Kingsmill, Agnes Aiken, Irene Brown, Elvin Berry, Marguerite Hooker, Margaret Glass, Estelle Neil, Harold Rowntree, Kathleen Collyer, Hazel Forrest and Edward Daly.

## ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED.

Mrs. F. Young, of Lonsdale, announces the marriage of her daughter, Rachael S., to Mr. Albert G. Brown, of Grand View, Ont., the wedding to take place the latter part of December.

The newest Royal Worcester ware has borders of plain white china separated by narrow thread-line bands of gold from solid colors of pink, of yellow or of dark blue.

The best values in the city in Ladies' Tailored Suits are obtained from Famularo & Caravella.

Next to Grand Opera House Entrance.

## OUR ASTROLOGER

HOROSCOPE  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1913.

Under this day's sky  
Sell, but do not buy.

For all business transactions except selling the signs today are evil, according to astrology. Mars is in an aspect peculiarly ominous.

Indications of widespread discontent among the nations of the world are discovered by the bloodshed.

The elevated pace of Mars, ruling the seventh house, is held to be exceedingly threatening. Indications of treachery are read in this position of the planet, the seers giving warning of great and double dealing in the relations of the powers that rule the world.

Hospitals and institutions for medical research are under a most beneficent rule. The prophecy is that the next year will record wonderful discoveries for the relief of humanity and a greater interest in the conservation of health than at any previous time in history.

Grave anxieties are indicated for the King of England, who will be confronted by many vexing problems, which will occupy parliament where scenes of violence are foretold.

A woman will gain fame in London through deeds of heroism. She will not be allied with the feminist movement.

Radical changes in college life are foretold. The movement for extreme democracy will gain rapidly, it is predicted.

Internal dissensions among churchmen are foretold. Disagreement concerning the work of women will be common. The stars are read as indicative of schisms and sweeping reforms.

A street accident so shocking that it will arouse national indignation is predicted. A man of political prominence will be one of the victims, the seers announce.

Persons whose birthdate it is may suffer severe losses within the year. Economy and caution in the management of financial affairs are recommended.

Children born on this day will make friends easily. They may be fondness of change and travel may be inclined to spend money recklessly. Life among their characteristics. Life among probably will be smooth for them.

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